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TO THE

CATHOLIC SISTERHOODS

IN THE

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FOREWORD

From all sections of the country, metropolitan, rural, and missionary, and from beyond the borders of this land, the constant appeal of bishops can be heard: "Where can we find more Sisters to staff our schools, our hospitals, our institutions, our missionary projects?" If this GUIDE TO THE CATHOLIC SISTERHOODS IN THE UNITED STATES serves young women blessed with a vocation, encourages others to consider a religious calling or even prompts others to take the step sooner, its publication will be more than justified and the efforts of its author, the Reverend Thomas P. McCarthy, C.S.V., will be amply rewarded.

The words of Martha to Mary, "The Master is here and calls thee," have been quoted frequently in connection with the vocation of religious women. It must be remembered that these words were spoken on the occasion of the resurrection of Lazarus from the dead. This seems to emphasize the truly great privilege that comes with a religious vocation, for time and again those who embrace the religious life have opportunities to be cooperators with divine grace by taking an active part in the spiritual

resurrection of souls.

May all who glance through the pages of this volume in search of vocational guidance find inspiration and that direction which is divine.

Feast of the Holy Name of Mary, 1951. Washington, D. C.

A. G. Cicognani
 Archbishop of Laodicea
 Apostolic Delegate

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PREFACE TO THE THIRD EDITION

THE GUIDE TO THE CATHOLIC SISTERHOODS IN THE UNITED STATES has a threefold purpose. Its primary objective is to place in the hands of young women interested in entering Religious Life a manual briefly describing the history, mode of life, nature of the work or works carried on, and the general qualifications for admission of every order and congregation of women in the United States. This information should prove of great value to girls in the selection of a community the rules and work of which are most suitable to the talents, desires, and aptitudes of each candidate.

A secondary purpose of the work is to provide a compact informational directory for priests, sisters, parents, teachers or others who are employed in vocational direction or guidance of

young women.

The volume is also intended for the laity. More than fivehundred sisterhoods with foundations in the United States are included. Also included are pictures of professed members of the respective communities in the habit distinctive to each. This should not only serve to make each individual congregation better known to the general public but also result in a better understanding of the ideal of Religious Life, both contemplative and active, and a greater appreciation of the noble work of our sisterhoods in the areas of education, social service and the missions.

The <u>Guide</u> has well defined limitations. It is not intended as a complete historical or statistical account of the communities of women with foundations in the United States. Moreover, in order to keep such an extensive undertaking within the confines of a handy manual, each congregation has, with a few exceptions, been allotted but a single page.

In every instance a young woman interested in a particular community is provided with an address to which she may apply for more detailed information and vocational literature. In the case of the larger orders or congregations having provinces or separate foundations, the address of each principal house is listed alpha-

betically either by provinces or states, or both.

The reader will notice upon careful perusal of this book the apparent lack of alphabetical arrangement. This was the result of inevitable circumstances. In a compilation of this kind one does not always receive an immediate response to mailed requests. Late manuscripts were added to both the first and second editions of the Guide, thereby forcing the author to sacrifice proper organization and alphabetization in order to include every religious congregation who desired to be represented. The appendix contains a list of names and addresses of those communities of sisters who failed to provide the requested information.

An attempt has been made to improve the third edition of the Guide. The index has been completely revised to enable the

reader to locate a particular religious congregation with the least amount of difficulty. It has been divided into three sections. The first part lists, in alphabetical order, the abbreviations or initials by which these various organizations are known. The second gives the location of every generalate, motherhouse and provincial residence by city, town and state. Lastly, a thorough crossindexing of every community of sisters with foundations in the United States has been arranged alphabetically.

The author makes grateful acknowledgment to His Excellency, The Most Reverend Amleto G. Cicognani, for his kindness in writing the foreword; to the Very Reverend John F. Brown, C.S.V., for the permission to undertake this work; to the Reverend James A. Magner, Manager of the Catholic University of America Press for sponsoring this book, and to Mr. John Graninger, Assistant Manager and his secretary, Miss Betty Goode for their assistance: to the Reverend Carl J. Stratman, C.S.V., and the Reverend Edward G. Heitjan, C.S.V., for their careful reading and helpful suggestions on the manuscripts; to the Reverend Edward E. Charest, C.S.V., who so kindly translated a number of Spanish manuscripts into the vernacular and to Sister Mary Felicite, B.V.M., who so graciously offered her time to read and correct the manuscripts for the third edition; and to Mrs. Jeannette M. Lynn, of the John Crerar Library, Chicago, Illinois, for generously offering many helpful suggestions for the better arrangement of this new Index; to the Reverend Thomas A. Meehan, editor of The New World for permission to use material from his inspiring work Christ's Career Women in Illinois and likewise to P. J. Kenedy and Sons, publishers of The Official Catholic Directory for their permission to record and list, from the 1954 Directory, a number of religious communities of women contained in the Appendix; and to all those who contributed in any way in making this book possible, wishes to express his sincere thanks.

He also desires to acknowledge his grateful appreciation to the Mother Generals, Provincials, Superiors and Sisters of the religious congregations represented in this book, for without their most heartfelt cooperation and prayers this work would not have been completed.

He is most deeply indebted to the Reverend Francis J. Powers, C.S.V., for his encouragement and invaluable suggestions.

Rock Island, Illinois

March, 1955

SISTERS OF ST. AGNES

HISTORY: The Reverend Casper Rehrl, D.D., a zealous pioneer missionary of the mid-nineteenth century, founded the Congregation of the Sisters of St. Agnes at Barton, Wisconsin, in 1858. Mother Mary Agnes Hazotte, the first Superior General, with the permission of the Right Reverend John Martin Henni, D.D., bishop of what was then the diocese of Milwaukee, transferred the Motherhouse of the Congregation to Fond du Lac, Wisconsin, in 1870. The Very Reverend Francis Haas, O.F.M. Cap., spiritual director of the Congregation, wrote the rules which received the Papal Approbation on July 11, 1880, of Pope Leo XIII, then gloriously reigning.

PURPOSE: The education of youth in its various aspects was the primary purpose of the foundation. At present the Sisters of St. Agnes number 706 Professed members. They devote themselves to the educational work for which they were founded; on the elementary, the



secondary and the college levels. They also conduct two schools of nursing, four hospitals, two orphanages, a home for the aged, and the Leo House, a hospice for the laity, resident or transient, and especially suitable for transient religious or the clergy.

QUALIFICATIONS: Applicants must be:

* girls of good character, with a satisfactory mental and physical health record

*between the ages of 14 and 35.

The length of the probation period depends upon age, scholastic standing, and fitness for religious life.

HABIT: The habit is black, as is the veil which is lined with white. The Sisters wear a white wimple and a circular collar.

For further information please write to:

Mother Superior, St. Agnes Convent, Fond du Lac, Wisconsin.



POOR HANDMAIDS OF JESUS CHRIST

THE ANCILLA DOMINI SISTERS Donaldson, Indiana

HISTORY: A simple peasant girl, who wished to serve Christ in His poor and sick in her village in Dernbach, Germany, was the humble instrument God chose to found the Poor Handmaids of Jesus Christ. Catherine Kasper and her first four associates pronounced the simple vows of religion in 1851. God visibly blessed the generous work and the Community grew rapidly. In 1868 the first Poor Handmaids of Jesus Christ came to America to continue their work of charity here. Forty-two hospitals, schools, homes for children and aged are under the care of the Sisters in the states of Indiana, Illinois, Wisconsin, and Minnesota. The Constitutions of the Community have the approval of the Holy See. Pope Pius XII is the Protector.

PURPOSE: In humility and simplicity the sisters try to sanctify their lives while serving Christ's poor, sick, unfortunate, and children in hospitals, schools, and homes. Many Sisters imitate our Blessed Lady in keeping house, cooking, and sewing.

QUALIFICATIONS: Young women, between the ages of 18 and 30, are welcome to apply for entrance who:

* have good health and morals

*wish to give their lives to God in the service of others.

A high school education is offered to younger girls who are interested in the community.

HABIT: The habit is of black serge, pleated, with a black cincture around the waist from which is suspended a large rosary. The black veil is pinned to a starched white coronet which buttons below the chin. A white linen collar completes the ensemble.

For further information please write to:

Rev. Mother Superior, Convent Ancilla Domini, Donaldson, Indiana.

SISTERS OF SAINT ANN

HISTORY: The Community of the Sisters of Saint Ann was founded in 1848, in Vaudreuil, P. Q., by Reverend Mother Mary Ann, nee Esther Sureau Blondin. The first five Sisters pronounced their vows on September 8, 1850. The Motherhouse having been transferred from Vaudreuil to St. Jacques, P. Q., in 1853, the necessity was seen of migrating to Lachine, a suburb of Montreal, in 1864.

PURPOSE: The Community which Mother Mary Ann founded to educate the poor children of the rural areas of the Province of Quebec has, along the years, undertaken to labor in all corners of the Lord's vineyard. In New England, the Sisters teach in 20 elementary schools, 5 high schools, and 1 college; while in the Province of Quebec, they labor in elementary, high, normal, and homemaking schools, 1 college, and 2 Indian schools. In British Columbia, the Sisters work in hospitals, homes for the aged, sanatoriums, industrial



schools, elementary and high schools. There are mission fields in the cold Yukon Territory, in faraway Alaska, and in torrid Haiti.

QUALIFICATIONS: Young girls are eligible for admission who are:

*at least 16 years of age

* of good moral character

*physically capable of bearing the fatigue entailed by teaching or nursing or ministering to the Indians and the Creoles.

Aspirants receive their religious training and formation at the Motherhouse in Lachine, P. Q., or at the Provincial House in Victoria, B. C.

HABIT: The habit is a simple black dress, a white linen coiffe, and a black veil. A brown rosary hangs over the dress on the left side; a silver cross is suspended by a black cord worn around the neck; a silver ring is worn on the right hand.

For further information please write to:

Reverend Mother Superior, Saint Ann's Academy, Marlboro, Massachusetts.



ANTONIAN SISTERS OF MARY QUEEN OF THE CLERGY

HISTORY: The Congregation of the Antonian Sisters of Mary Queen of the Clergy was founded at Chicoutimi, Canada, in 1904, by Rev. Elzear Delamarre. It established its first foundation in the United States at Worcester, Massachusetts, in 1932. At the present time the Sisters in the United States are located at Assumption College, Worcester, Massachusetts; Maryknoll Junior Seminary, Brookline, Massachusetts, and Maryknoll Seminary, Glen Ellyn, Illinois.

PURPOSE: The Religious of this Community, under the simple vows of Poverty, Chastity, and Obedience, strive for sanctity by assisting the clergy in colleges and seminaries at home, and on the Foreign Mission Fields. They also direct orphanages and primary schools.

QUALIFICATIONS:

- *Candidates are received between the ages of 16-30.
- *During Postulancy and Novitiate (2 years) the applicants provide their own clothing.
- *A small dowry is requested.

For further information please write to:

Rev. Mother General, St. Michel Blvd., Chicoutimi, Canada.

CONGREGATION OF THE ASSUMPTION

HISTORY: The Congregation of the Assumption, approved by Rome in 1888, was founded in Paris by Mother Marie Eugenie Milleret de Brou who, although only nineteen at the time, possessed high intelligence, spiritual depth, insight, and receptivity far beyond her years. The religious life took shape under ecclesiastical guidance. Then, as now, it was semi-contemplative having an active apostolate and an intense contemplation which found its depth and its wealth in the two sublime privileges enjoyed by the Congregation—that of daily Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and the daily recitation of the Divine Office in choir. In her prayerful wisdom, the foundress retained for the religious the old monastic observances, yet trained and prepared them to meet the challenge of modern needs.

PURPOSE: The purpose of the Congregation is to extend the Kingdom

of Christ primarily through the apostolate of education; however, retreats, instruction of converts, preparation for First Communion, and the fostering of Catholic Action are undertaken.

QUALIFICATIONS: Essential requirements for admission are:

- *a letter of recommendation from the Pastor as to character and religious aptitude
- *a health certificate
- * a high school diploma or a college degree is desirable
- * House Sisters should have good health and a certificate of good character
- *age: 18-25 (over age requires a dispensation).

HABIT: The religious wear a purple habit with a white woolen cross, a purple cincture, and a white woolen veil. In choir, on special feasts, a white cloak is worn.

For further information please write to:

Reverend Mother, Novitiate House, Ravenhill, Academy of the Assumption, 3480 West Schoolhouse Lane, Philadelphia 44, Pa. or Reverend Mother, Bay Haven, Academy of the Assumption, 1517 Brickel Avenue, Miami 36, Florida.



LES SOEURS DE L'ASSOMPTION DE LA SAINTE VIERGE Nicolet, Quebec, Canada

HISTORY: The Community, "Les Soeurs de l'Assomption de la Sainte Vierge," took birth on September 8, 1853, feast of the Nativity of Mary, at Saint-Gregoire, Quebec; at a time when the pastor, unable to obtain religious teachers for his schools, decided, upon the advice of his curate, "to make them, since they could not be found already made . . . ''. After much prayer and meditation, he found four teachers in the parish, pious young girls aspiring to the religious life. The Lord chose them to establish the new community. They met in the little village school and began their educational work. They opened a novitiate and new convents. In 1872. the Mother House was transferred to Nicolet, the Episcopal See. The Sisters of the Assumption are now in nearly every province of Canada, in eastern United States, and in Aomori, Japan.

PURPOSE: The Community employs all talents and satisfies all tastes in the teaching domain: classical college for young girls, normal schools, superior schools of music, high schools, classical and commercial, domestic science schools, courses in vocal and instrumental music, elocution, drawing and painting.

QUALIFICATIONS:

*Good health, sociable character, good reputation, ability to learn, and aptitudes for teaching.

*For those candidates lacking necessary instruction or inclination for teaching, manual labor offers a means of sharing in the works and merits of the community.

*Age requirement: 16-35 years of age.

HABIT: A simple black and white habit is worn by the Postulant, Novice and Professed Sister. The headdress differs for the postulant, and the veil, crucifix, and ring for the Novice and Professed Sister.

For further information please write to:

Reverend Mother Superior General, Mother House of Les Soeurs de l'Assomption de la Sainte Vierge, Nicolet, Quebec, Canada.

LITTLE SISTERS OF THE ASSUMPTION

HISTORY: The Congregation of the Little Sisters of the Assumption was founded in France in 1865, in response to one of the great responsibilities of our time: the worker's family. The family is such an integral part of our society, that our present day paganism seeks to undermine Christianity through the family first of all. In the homes of the workers in our big cities, more than anywhere else, good is confronted by evil.

PURPOSE: The Little Sisters of the Assumption unite the life of prayer with that of the apostolate. Fortified each day by personal contact with the Divine Master during Holy Mass, recitation in Choir of the Office of the B.V.M., meditation, and spiritual reading, the Little Sister, enters on her mission of bringing God to the physically and spiritually sick. The postulate is six months, the Novitiate two years. During the



2nd year the Novices commence training for their mission.

QUALIFICATIONS: Father Pernet, the Founder, saw that when sickness comes to a home what is needed is a woman—a nurse—a nun—hence The Little Sisters of the Assumption desire young women—

- *animated with intense charity
- *with complete disinterestedness
- *who could enter the worker's home and would, so to speak, identify herself with his home—
- *who would share its cares—its sufferings, taking upon herself all the household tasks, and becoming thus a spiritual leaven, raise the minds and hearts of all to God
- *who would give all for nothing—absolutely for nothing
- *who desire to bring to the worker's worst problem the sweetest—the most divine of all remedies—Charity.

HABIT: The habit is black with a white headdress and guimpe, and black veil. The cincture of St. Augustine is worn to which is attached a large crucifix received at Profession.

For further information please write to:

Reverend Mother of St. Jude, 6611 Wissahickon Avenue, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.



SISTERS AUXILIARIES OF THE APOSTOLATE Monongah, West Virginia

HISTORY: The Sisters Auxiliaries of the Apostolate Society was founded in the Diocese of Alberta, Canada, in August 1903, by Reverend Francis Olszewski, with the approbation of Archbishop Emile Legal of Edmonton. Canada. In 1910 the first Motherhouse was destroyed by fire. Instead of rebuilding in Canada, the Sisters established their new home in the Fargo Diocese of North Dakota. November 10, 1911. Ten years later, at the request of Bishop Patrick Donahue, the entire Order moved to the Wheeling Diocese in New Cumberland, West Virginia. The present Motherhouse and Novitiate are located in Monongah, West Virginia, and missions are centered in Scarbo, West Virginia, New Cumberland, West Virginia, and in Kilgore, in the Diocese of Dallas, Texas.

PURPOSE: The first aim of the Sisters Auxiliaries of the Apostolate is to sanctify themselves. After this the Sisters devote themselves to the education of youth, especially to the children of the poor, and the destitute. The Sisters also devote some time to social work, domestic work, care of the altars and sacristies, and the conducting of choirs.

QUALIFICATIONS: Requirements for admission are:

- *Age generally between 16 and 30. Applicants over 30 may be received with special permission.
- * Good health, mentally and physically.
- *A high school education is desired. Young ladies, however, who have had business or domestic experience are also welcome.

HABIT: The habit and veil are black. A short black shoulder cape and a white guimpe are worn. The Sisters also wear a silver crucifix, and a long black mantle when travelling.

For further information please write to:

Mother Superior, SS. Peter and Paul's Convent, 142 Maple Ave., Monongah, West Virginia.

SISTERS OF ORDER OF ST. BASIL THE GREAT

HISTORY: Some sixteen centuries ago, the great St. Basil, inspired by the noble example of his saintly sister, St. Macrina, resolved to lead a life of asceticism. His aim, to found an order where many souls would have ample opportunity to lead a life of activity and prayer was realized when, in 358, he set out to a place located on the River Iris, opposite Annesi, and there laid the nucleus of what comprises the religious family which bears his name today, the Order of St. Basil the Great. In time, the burning torch of St. Basil's great love for God, spread its flames to countries beyond Cappadocian Asia Minor, into Europe, and from there, into the Americas. The American foundation of the Order of the Sisters of St. Basil the Great owes its introduction into the United States to the late Most Reverend Bishop Soter Ortynsky, O.S.B.M., at whose request a group



of three Sisters: Mother Helen, Sister Euphemia and Sister Paphnutia arrived from Europe in 1911 to carry on the work of teaching and caring for the orphans in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. PURPOSE: The Sister of the Order of St. Basil the Great may dedicate her life to the education of youth on the elementary, secondary, or college level; to care for motherless and homeless children; she may specialize in the useful and fine arts; embroidery work and sewing of Liturgical Vestments for the churches of the diocese; to work in the printery; to domestic science, library work, music, or art.

QUALIFICATIONS: The chief requisites for admission to the Order are:

- * good health, intelligence, and a pliant will
- *the spirit of sacrifice and obedience and a right intention
- *an earnest desire to work for her own sanctification as well as for the salvation of souls
- *age: 15-30 (exceptions are made for special reasons).

HABIT: The habit, veil, scapular, and cincture are black; a wimple and band of white linen, a rosary, and a crucifix complete the vesture of the Professed Sister.

For further information please write to:

Reverend Mother M. Eusebia, O.S.B.M. 710 Fox Chase Road, Philadelphia 11, Pennsylvania.



SISTERS OF ST. BASIL THE GREAT Uniontown, Pennsylvania

HISTORY: The Order of the Sisters of St. Basil the Great, whose Motherhouse has been established in Uniontown, Pennsylvania, was founded in 1921 by Mother Macrina. In 363 A.D., St. Basil the Great, illustrious doctor of the Eastern Church, with his sister, St. Macrina, established the order which bears his name. Communities of both men and women spread from Cappadocia throughout the East and West. The rapid growth of the Order is evidenced by the increase in elementary schools and other institutions and educational endeavors, e.g., Mount St. Macrina Academy for high school girls, St. Nicholas' Orphanage, and St. Basil's Home for Women.

PURPOSE: The Sisters of St. Basil the Great, who take the three solemn vows of Poverty, Chastity, and Obedience, strive for the greater honor and glory of God, by devoting their

lives to the service of God and the salvation of souls, through the educating of youth in parochial, boarding, and high schools, and taking care of the orphans and elderly women.

QUALIFICATIONS:

*Age: 16-30.

*Postulants may seek entrance after graduating from grammar or high school.

*During postulancy and Novitiate (2 years) the candidate must supply her own clothing, if it be possible.

* Each must have a doctor's certificate and a recommendation from her pastor.

HABIT: The Sisters of St. Basil the Great wear a black habit and scapular, with a girdle and veil, a white wimple, and a rosary. Three folds at the bottom of the habit, sleeves, and wimple denote the three vows of Poverty, Chastity, and Obedience.

For further information please write to:

Rev. Mother General, Mount St. Macrina Academy, West National Pike, Uniontown, Pennsylvania.

OLIVETAN BENEDICTINE SISTERS

HISTORY: In answer to an appeal of the Bishop of Little Rock, four Sisters under the leadership of Mother Mary Beatrice arrived in Pocahontas, Arkansas, December 13, 1887 to establish a Community. These Sisters were from the Maria-Rickenback Convent in Switzerland and had established a foundation in Clyde, Missouri. The first Convent was a log house and the first school was partly in a barnlike shanty, and partly in the sacristy of the little frame church. Since 1898 the motherhouse of the Community has been located at Jonesboro, a city of about 20,000 inhabitants. Holy Angels Convent, built at that time, accommodated the Sisters until 1929, when it became necessary to provide a larger Convent Home which is a beautiful, fire-proof structure, up-to-date in every detail.

PURPOSE: The Olivetan Benedictine Sisters conduct day and boarding schools for grade and high school students. They also have a



150 bed hospital, Nurses Training School, and a Hospice in Hot Springs. Some of the Sisters do general housework; others are employed in the sewing department, the laundry or the large culinary department of the Community or that of St. John's Seminary, in Little Rock, Arkansas.

QUALIFICATIONS:

- * Earnest desire to live for God.
- *Be free from obligations to another state of life.
- *Necessary good health to perform the duties of the Community.
- *She should not be over 30 years of age except by special permission.

HABIT: The habit is the general Benedictine habit in white with a full-length white scapular and black veil. Sister Nurses wear white veils while on duty in the hospital.

For further information please write to:

Reverend Mother Superior, Holy Angels Convent, Jonesboro, Arkansas.



SISTERS OF THE ORDER OF ST. BENEDICT

HISTORY: The Order of St. Benedict, which dates back to the time of the Father of Western Monasticism, has as its motto, "That in all things God may be glorified". It was founded by St. Benedict (480-543) in the fifth century; its co-Foundress, St. Gregory the Great tells us, was St. Benedict's sister, St. Scholastica, who at that time was presiding over a Community of religious women living under the Rule of St. Benedict, in a Monastery about five miles from his Abbey at Monte Cassino. Whether this was the original foundation of the Benedictine Nuns cannot be ascertained from the annals of history. The Benedictine Order, which for 14 centuries has wielded a mighty influence upon all Christendom and which is today one of the worlds oldest and foremost Religious Orders, is scattered throughout the entire world. The Benedictine Sisters have established 37 Monasteries in the United States since their first foundation in 1852.

PURPOSE: The Benedictine life as expressed by the motto <u>Ora et Labora</u> is a combination of the contemplative with the active life, The primary work of each Benedictine Sister is the praise of God through liturgical worship, and the sanctification of her own soul through dedication to Christ. The daily singing of the Divine Office, the <u>Opus Dei</u>, in choir, fructifies the active work of household tasks and the education of youth in parochial and high schools, colleges and academies.

QUALIFICATIONS:

- * Completion of the fifteenth year.
- *Freedom from impediments.
- * Possession of sufficient health and strength to fulfill the duties of a Benedictine Sister.
- *Good character, right intention, and above all the spiritual desire "to seek God".

HABIT: The habit and scapular are black; the coif and bandeau are white. Professed Sisters wear a gold ring bearing the emblem IHS.

For further information please write to the Rev. Mother Superior O.S.B., at the nearest Benedictine Convent:

BENEDICTINE SISTERS OF PONTIFICAL JURISDICTION

CONGREGATION OF ST. SCHOLASTICA

erected in 1922 (12 Motherhouses)

Alabama—Sacred Heart Convent, Cullman, Box 317, Alabama; Illinois—St. Scholastica Convent, 7416-7430 Ridge Ave., Chicago, Illinois; Benedictine Convent of the Sacred Heart, Lisle P.O., Illinois; Kansas—Mt. St. Scholastica, Atchison, Kansas; Kentucky—St. Walburg Convent, Villa Madonna, (R.R. 2, Box 50) Covington, Kentucky; Louisiana—St. Scholastica Convent, 509 Asia St., Covington, Louisiana; Maryland—St. Gertrude's Convent, Ridgely P.O., Wilmington, Maryland; New Jersey—St. Walburga Convent, 851 N. Broad St., Elizabeth, New Jersey; Oklahoma—Benedictine Heights College, Guthrie, Oklahoma; Pennsylvania—St. Benedict's Convent, 327-345 E. 9th St., Erie, Pennsylvania; Mt. St. Mary's Convent, 4530 Perrysville Ave., Pittsburgh 29, Pennsylvania; St. Joseph's Convent, 303 Church St., St. Mary's, Pennsylvania;

CONGREGATION OF ST. GERTRUDE THE GREAT erected 1937 (7 Motherhouses)

Idaho—St. Gertrude's Convent, Cottonwood, Idaho; Indiana—Convent of the Immaculate Conception, Ferdinand, Indiana; Iowa—St. Benedict's Convent, 3315 Lowell St., Sioux City, Iowa; Minnesota—Mt. St. Benedict Convent, Crookston, Minnesota; North Dakota—Sacred Heart Convent, 225 14th Ave S.E., Minot, North Dakota; South Dakota—St. Martin's Convent, Sturgis, South Dakota; Sacred Heart Convent, Yankton, South Dakota;

CONGREGATION OF ST. BENEDICT

erected 1947 (3 Motherhouses)

Minnesota — Convent of St. Benedict, St. Joseph, Minnesota; St. Paul's Priory, 301 Summit Ave., St. Paul 2, Minnesota; Wisconsin—St. Bede's Priory, 1328 Wilson St., Eau Claire, Wisconsin;

BENEDICTINE SISTERS OF DIOCESAN JURISDICTION

Arkansas—St. Scholastica's Motherhouse, Benedictine Heights, Albert Pike and Rogers St., Ft. Smith, Arkansas; Florida—Holy Name Convent, San Antonio, Florida; Illinois—St. Mary's Convent, Nauvoo, Illinois; Minnesota—College St. Scholastica, College Ave., Duluth, Minnesota; North Dakota—Convent of the Annunciation, 304 Ave., A.W., Bismarck, North Dakota; Oregon—Queen of Angels Convent, Mt. Angel, Oregon; Texas—St. Scholastica's Convent, 1113 S. Alamo St., San Antonio, Texas; Virginia—St. Benedict's Convent, Bristow, Virginia;

BENEDICTINE SISTERS

(Motherhouse in Germany)

Colorado—Convent of St. Walburga, Boulder, Colorado; Convent of St. Therese, P.O. Box 351, Canon City, Colorado; Pennsylvania—Convent of Benedictine Sisters, c/o St. Vincent Archabbey, Latrobe, Pennsylvania; St. Joseph' Convent (Independent) St. Mary's, Pennsylvania;

FRENCH BENEDICTINE SISTERS

Louisiana-St. Gertrude's Monastery, Ramsay, P.O., Louisiana.



SERVANTS OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

HISTORY: The Congregation of the Servants of the Blessed Sacrament, which is both contemplative and cloistered, originated in France in 1858 by Blessed Peter Julian Eymard, with the authorization of Msgr. Morlot, Archbishop of Paris. In 1885, Pope Leo XIII gave his official approbation to the Servants of the Blessed Sacrament which was canonically erected as a Religious Community by Pius IX in 1871. As the title indicates the idea of the Blessed Founder in establishing this new Institute was to form a Religious family which would have no other duty than the service of the Holy Eucharist.

PURPOSE: The members of this Congregation, who are divided into choir Sisters and coadjutrix Sisters, have for their exclusive occupation the motto of its Founder, "All for the service of Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament". The Sisters render perpetual Adoration to Our Lord

Jesus Christ abiding perpetually in the Most Blessed Sacrament on the Altar for the love of men. The hours of adoration spent kneeling are a mute sermon reminding the world of the respect due to the King of Heaven and earth hidden under the Sacramental veils.

QUALIFICATIONS:

* Young girls who wish to devote themselves with all their souls and strength to propagate this same worship of adoration to the Blessed Sacrament are urged to apply.

* The choir Sisters recite the Divine Office; the coadjutrix

Sisters do not assist at the Canonical Office.

*The Sisters, who are all subject to the same rule, divide their time between prayer and labor.

HABIT: The Sisters wear a white habit.

For further information please write to:

Rev. Mother Superior, Servants of the Blessed Sacrament, 101 Silver St., Waterville, Maine.

THE SISTERS OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT FOR INDIANS AND COLORED PEOPLE

Cornwells Heights, Pennsylvania

HISTORY: The Sister of the Blessed Sacrament is a Eucharistic adorer and Missionary Sister combined. The complete consecration of herself to our Eucharistic God is the object of her religious life. The particular end for which she labors, after her own sanctification, is the conversion of the Colored and Indian races of America. The Community was founded in 1891, by Reverend Mother M. Katharine Drexel, at the invitation of Pope Leo XIII. The Sisters engage in every type of missionary work, and can use every type of talent. Their 66 missions are located in twenty states from Massachusetts to Louisiana, and from Virginia to California. Included in their extensive program is the only Catholic College and University for the Colored in the United States-Xavier University in New Orleans.



PURPOSE: The purpose of the Congregation is the complete consecration of the Sisters to the service of Our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament, so that through Him they may lead the Indian and Colored races to the knowledge and love of God. Social service, education, office work, household duties, etc., are all included in the various activities.

QUALIFICATIONS:

- *A true vocation proceeding from a supernatural motive and zeal for the Indian and Colored Races.
- * Honorable life.
- * Manners and appearance suitable for a religious.
- * Freedom from obligations to another state or condition.
- * Sufficiently good health and adaptability.
- * Age, 16 to 30.

HABIT: The Sisters wear a black habit and scapular with an ebony crucifix, a white Franciscan cord and a large rosary. The veil is black. In adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and in processions, the Sisters wear a white church cloak.

For further information please write to:

The Reverend Mother Superior, Sisters of the Blessed Sacrament, St. Elizabeth's Convent, Cornwells Heights, Pennsylvania.



SISTERS OF BON SECOURS Baltimore, Maryland

HISTORY: The Congregation of the Sisters of Bon Secours was founded in Paris, France, January 24, 1824, by the Most Rev. H. L. de Quelon, Archbishop of Paris, for the care of the sick, especially the sick poor in their own homes. The Sisters came to the United States in 1881. at the invitation of Cardinal Gibbons. As the trend towards hospitalization increased, and the value of professional nursing care was better appreciated, the Sisters began to exercise their apostolate in hospitals. Today they have under their care, convalescent homes, an orthopedic home for crippled children, a home for aged priests, and a home for chronically ill patients. Of the three hospitals conducted by the Sisters, one has in conjunction with it a school of nursing for the training of their own Sisters, as well as for members of other congregations.

PURPOSE: The principle end for which the Sisters labor is the greater glory of God, and their own sanctification by the vows of Poverty, Chastity, and Obedience. The secondary aim is outlined above. After passing State Board Examinations some of the Sisters are assigned to higher studies at Catholic University and elsewhere for degrees in nursing, and the various departments of a hospital, where they learn to become, X-Ray technicians, pharmacists, dietitians, record librarians, and teachers in the school of nursing.

QUALIFICATIONS: Young ladies, 18-30, are accepted into the Sisters of Bon Secours who:

*sincerely desire to consecrate themselves to God

*possess good health and sound judgment.

High school education is preferred—however—a certain number of applicants without a high school diploma are admitted.

HABIT: The religious habit is of black serge, with a black veil, white fichu, white fluted cap, and white cuffs. When on duty with the sick the Sisters wear white.

For further information please write to:

Rev. Mother Superior, Convent of Bon Secours, 2000 West Baltimore St., Baltimore, Maryland.

CAPUCHIN NUNS

HISTORY: The Order of Capuchin Nuns was founded on the principles of Saint Francis of Assisi, who being poor made many rich. The Capuchin Nuns, like all other religious orders, take the three vows of Poverty, Chastity, and Obedience. They labor for self-sanctification and for the sanctification of the souls entrusted to their care.

PURPOSE: The scope of the work of the Capuchin Nuns includes: teaching in private and parochial schools; caring for orphans and abandoned children; giving catechetical instructions; running day nurseries; making parish visitations; visiting the sick and prisoners.



OUALIFICATIONS:

- *Postulants, 18 to 35, must be beyond all suspicion in the matter of faith.
- *They must be of sound mind and body and of fervent will.
- *They must be unmarried and free of debt.
- *Candidates must be of a good family and not have been dismissed from any other order or community.

HABIT: The habit, which is made of a coarse brown material, consists of two pieces, and is buttoned in the front. A brown scapular, white kerchief, forehead piece, and white guimpe, together with a black veil lined with white, a black cloak, a seven decade rosary, and a crucifix worn around the neck, complete the religious habit.

For further information please write to:

Rev. Mother Superior, Sacred Heart Children's Home, 535 Hornor Ave., Clarksburg, West Virginia.



CARMELITE SISTERS FOR THE AGED AND INFIRM

HISTORY: The Carmelite Sisters for the Aged and Infirm were founded in New York City on September 3, 1929 by His Eminence, Patrick Cardinal Hayes and Reverend Mother M. Angeline Teresa, O. Carm. At that time both of these great souls realized the need of caring for the middle class Aged persons. Much difficulty was involved in launching a new congregation during the dark days of the depression, but through it all, Mother Angeline Teresa and the six Sisters who started the work with her were courageous and steadfast. At the present time the Community is carrying on its work in 25 foundations, in 15 different cities. Among the cities in which these Sisters are established are: New York, Philadelphia, Chicago, Washington, D.C., Covington, Ky., Fall River, Mass., Columbus, Ohio, Scranton, Pa., Trenton, N. J., Albany, N. Y., Germantown, N. Y.,

St. Petersburg, Fla., Miami Beach, Manchester, and Laconia, N. H. PURPOSE: The purpose of the Community is to sanctify its members by the observance of the Vows of Obedience, Poverty, and Chastity, and in the care of the Aged and Infirm. The Sisters try to establish Homes that are homelike and cheerful, granting their Aged Guests every privilege that they would have in their own family circle.

QUALIFICATIONS:

*The age limit is from 15 to 30.

* Although high school is not required, it is desirable.

*Applicants must have a sincere desire to serve God in the religious life.

*They must have sufficient good health to carry on their religious duties.

HABIT: The habit of Carmel, consisting of a tunic and a scapular, is brown. The Scapular which is the glory of Carmel carries with it all the privileges granted by Our Lady when she appeared to St. Simon Stock 700 years ago. A leather cincture is worn around the waist from which is suspended a 15 decade rosary which hangs from the left side.

For further information please write to:

Rev. Mother General, St. Teresa's Motherhouse, Avila on the Hudson, Germantown, New York.

CARMELITE SISTERS OF THE DIVINE HEART OF JESUS

HISTORY: Carmel of the Divine Heart of Jesus forms a new branch of the venerable old tree of the Order of Our Lady of Mount Carmel, which is a semi-cloistered, not a purely contemplative order. That is, they combine the contemplative with the active life, under the reformed rule of St. Teresa of Avila. The Carmel of the Divine Heart was founded by our venerable Mother Maria Teresa of St. Joseph in the year 1891. After many trials and hardships a Novitiate was opened in Sittard, Netherlands, which later became the General Motherhouse of the Institute. The tiny mustard seed grew so rapidly that Mother Foundress with several Sisters were able to sail to the United States in 1912, and were kindly received by His Excellency, Sebastian G. Messmer, Archbishop of Milwaukee. Sisters soon had a home prepared for orphaned and neglected children. On May 12, 1930 the Congregation



received final approbation from His Holiness, Pope Pius XI. PURPOSE:

Personal Sanctification: By means of the three vows of religion; Atonement: For all dishonor heaped upon the Divine Heart of Jesus, by prayer and penance, and exposition of the Blessed Sacrament one day each week, and nocturnal adoration Thursday night before the first Friday;

Salvation of Souls: By mothering neglected and homeless children;

By conducting homes for the aged; By social and religious work in families.

QUALIFICATIONS:

*Admission to the Order is granted to girls of good families, who are of sound health and intelligence, between the ages of 16 and 30.

*A short life history written by the applicant herself.

*Medical certificate attesting sound health and that no hereditary disease such as Tuberculosis, insanity, etc. exists in the family.

*A sealed recommendation given by Confessor or Pastor, school testimonials and a photograph.

HABIT: The garb of a Carmelite of the Divine Heart consists of a habit of brown wool, girded by a leather cincture; a large scapular, brown veil and white collar complete her costume.

See page 339 for address of nearest Community.



CARMELITE SISTERS OF ST. THERESE Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

HISTORY: The Order of the Carmelite Sisters of St. Therese was founded in Bentley, Oklahoma, in 1917. This Community, which was erected as a diocesan congregation in 1928, is affiliated with the Discalced Carmelite Order, having for its special patrons, Our Lady of Mt. Carmel and St. Theresa, The Little Flower of Jesus. The Carmelite Order traces its origin to St. Elias, who, in a vision, saw the prophetic image of the Immaculate Virgin, who was to be the Mother of the Redeemer. The devotion to the brown scapular was revealed to St. Simon Stock, a Carmelite Friar of the Order of Elias, by Our Lady when she said, "My beloved son, receive this habit of thy Order. This shall be to thee and to all Carmelites, a privilege that whosoever dies clothed in this, shall never suffer eternal fire".

PURPOSE: The Carmelites of St.

Therese were especially organized for home mission-work among the underprivileged classes. They conduct a home for the aged and infirm as well as staffing parochial schools for Indian, Mexican, and American children. The Sisters also operate a guest home for retired ladies, and conduct resident and day schools, nursery schools, and kindergartens. Social service and house-visiting, as well as hospital work, are included in the Sisters' projects.

QUALIFICATIONS:

*Applicants should not be over 30 years of age, but exceptions may be made to this rule.

*Since the work is so general and comprehensive any girl having good health, good moral character, and a desire to serve God and to sanctify herself in the Order of Our Lady of Mount Carmel may be admitted to this Community.

HABIT: The dark brown habit, black veil and white choir mantle, similar to the cloistered Carmelite habit, are worn by the Carmelites of St. Therese. At profession the Sisters receive a large rosary, which is worn on the left side of the cincture, and a crucifix, which is worn on the right side.

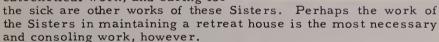
For further information please write to:

Rev. Mother General, Villa Teresa, 1300 Classen Blvd., Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

CARMELITE SISTERS OF THE THIRD ORDER

HISTORY: The Carmelite Sisters of the Third Order, a branch of the great Order of Carmel, was founded by Mother Luisa Josefa of the Blessed Sacrament. In 1920, the Congregation was affiliated with the Discalced Carmelites in Rome, and later it became a Pontifical Institute. During the religious persecution in Mexico, in 1927, Mother Luisa Josefa brought her Community of Sisters to the United States. Although she returned to Mexico shortly before her death on February 11, 1937, the Sisters remained in the United States. They have now established four houses here. There are over four hundred Sisters in the United States and Mexico.

PURPOSE: One of the important works of the Carmelite Sisters of the Third Order is the care and education of orphan children and those from broken homes. Teaching, catechetical work, and caring for



QUALIFICATIONS:

- *Applicants must be between 15 and 30.
- *Their health must be good and they must come from a good family.
- *Generally candidates are encouraged to enter upon the completion of their junior year in high school.
- * Young ladies entering the Order in the United States remain in this country.

HABIT: The habit consists of a brown tunic and scapular. The tunic is encircled with black leather, the end of which hangs down on the right side; on the left side hangs a rosary.

For further information please write to:

Rev. Mother Regional Superior, 920 East Alhambra Road, Alhambra, California.



CORPUS CHRISTI CARMELITES

HISTORY: This Community originated as a lay Institute (Tertiaries) in Leicester, England, in 1908. In 1919, it spread to Trinidad, British West Indies; in 1920, the Foundress. Mother Mary Ellerker, and two companions went to the United States, and opened the first American house in Duluth, Minnesota. In 1927, the whole group affiliated with the Order of Carmel through the invitation of the Calced Carmelite Fathers of the Chicago Province. They are now members of the Third Order Regular of Mount Carmel, having obtained their Constitutions and Decree of Praise from Rome, in 1946. The Foundress, Mother Mary of the Blessed Sacrament (Ellerker) died in January, 1949, in Trinidad, B.W.I. The Sisters are working in the dioceses of Duluth, Grand Island, and Altoona, and the Archdiocese of New York. They have several convents in Trinidad, B.W.I., and British Guiana, and have recently reopened in Leicester, England.

PURPOSE: The chief aim is to work for the reunion of Christendom by any means in their power; instruction of converts, catechetical work, parish visiting, and institutional work for children, adolescents and the aged; all types of social service and missionary work.

QUALIFICATIONS:

*Young girls of any race or color (there is a special need for Colored applicants in this Community).

*Good health; average intelligence.

*High school education generally required.

*Age: 15-30 (older girls are occasionally accepted).

*Small dowry and contribution for training expenses when possible.

HABIT: The traditional habit of Carmel—brown tunic and scapular, black veil, white mantle—slightly adapted to suite the varied active works. The white mantle is worn on the streets in the tropics; for chapel and ceremonious occasions elsewhere.

For further information please write to:

Rev. Mother Vicaress, O. Carm., 130 Highland Avenue, Middletown, New York.

SISTERS OF OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL

HISTORY: In 1825, the Reverend Charles F. Boutelou, a zealous French priest of St. Francis de Paule in Tours, France, conceived the idea of uniting a number of young ladies as tertiaries of Our Lady of Mount Carmel (Carmelites). This noble project formed the nucleus for the first chapter of the history of the Congregation of the Sisters of Our Lady of Mount Carmel. The Revolution of 1830, aimed primarily at the destruction of the Church in France, forced the growing Community to disperse. Father Boutelou sought refuge in Louisiana. Upon his arrival in New Orleans he told Bishop de Nekere of the plight of the Sisters. The Bishop invited them to his diocese. Mother Theresa Chevreul and Mother St. Augustine Clerc eagerly volunteered. With the zeal of a St. Theresa and the love of an Augustine they planted the seed which developed through the years. Today the Sisters con-



duct eleven elementary schools and six high schools in the Archdiocese of New Orleans and the Diocese of Lafayette, Louisiana. Within a year they are to open their first hospital in the city of Thibodaux, Louisiana.

PURPOSE: The primary purpose of the Congregation of the Sisters of Our Lady of Mount Carmel is the sanctification of its members by the observance of the simple vows of Poverty, Chastity, and Obedience. The secondary object is the Christian education of youth and the care of the sick.

QUALIFICATIONS:

*Young ladies and widows, between the ages of 15 and 30, may be admitted into the Congregation, provided they possess a true vocation based on supernatural motives.

*Postulancy—six months; novitiate—two years; following a period of three years, the Sister makes Perpetual Vows.

*Candidates provide their own clothing and defray the expenses of the Novitiate, besides providing a small dowry.

*Poverty is no hindrance to acceptance.

For further information please write to:

Rev. Mother Mary Rita, O. Carm. Mount Carmel Motherhouse, 420 Robert E. Lee Blvd., New Orleans, Louisiana.



DISCALCED CARMELITE NUNS (Strictly Cloistered)

HISTORY: The Discalced or Reformed Carmelites, a branch of the Order of Our Lady of Mount Carmel, was founded by St. Teresa of Avila (1515-1582), in 1562. After spending twenty-years in the Carmelite Convent of the Incarnation. at Avila, she was inspired by God to live a more perfect life, and to restore the primitive Rule of the cloistered life of the Carmelite hermits given by St. Albert de Vercelli, Patriarch of Jerusalem in the thirteenth century. St. Teresa, with the aid of St. John of the Cross and Anton de Heredia. established 16 Monasteries of Nuns before she died in 1582. The Reform of St. Teresa spread throughout the entire world; at present 40 monasteries of the Second Order of Carmel have been established in the United States since their first foundation in 1790.

PURPOSE: What is a Discalced Carmelite and what does she do?

The life of a Carmelite Nun is both contemplative and apostolic. By her prayers, sacrifices, and penances, she atones for the numberless sins committed against the Eternal Father. Her apostolic life is spent in supplication; praying for the needs of Holy Mother the Church, sanctification of priests, the salvation of souls, and the conversion of sinners. Although a great deal of time is spent in reciting the Divine Office in choir, in meditation and other pious exercises, the remainder is allocated for household work and other occupations.

QUALIFICATIONS: The basic requirements for a Carmelite Nun are:

*a love of silence and manual labor

*a strong desire to lead a contemplative life (strict enclosure is observed) according to the Rule established by St. Teresa of Avila

* sufficient health to assume the obligations of fasting

* sound understanding and good judgment.

HABIT: The Carmelite Nuns wear a brown habit and scapular of Our Lady of Mount Carmel; a black veil, white guimpe, and a white chapel cloak.

Write to nearest address below for further information:

Alabama — Carmelite Monastery 710 Fulton Rd., Mobile 18, Alabama; California — Carmel of St. Teresa, 215 E. Alhambra Rd.,

Alhambra, California; Carmelite Monastery of Christ the Exiled King, 68 Rincon Rd., Berkeley 7, California; Carmelite Monastery of Our Lady, Carmel-by-the-Sea, (Box 17) California; Carmel of St. Joseph, 3361 E. Ocean Blvd., Long Beach 3, California; Carmel of the Holy Family and St. Therese, 2110 Stockton Blvd., Sacramento, California; Carmelite Monastery of the Trinity, Hawley Blvd., San Diego 16, California; Carmelite Monastery of Cristo Rey, 721 Parker Ave., San Francisco, California; Carmelite Monastery of the Infant Jesus, 1000 Lincoln St., Santa Clara, California; Indiana—Monastery of Discalced Carmelites, 2500 Cold Springs Rd., Indianapolis 22, Indiana; Monastery of Discalced Carmelites, Allendale Rd., Terre Haute, Indiana; Iowa-Monastery of Discalced Carmelite Nuns, 15th St., & Central Ave., Bettendorf, Iowa; Kentucky-Monastery of Discalced Carmelite Nuns, 523 Park Ave., Louisville, Kentucky; Louisiana-Discalced Carmelite Nuns, College Ave., Lafayette, Louisiana; Monastery of St. Joseph and St. Teresa, 1236 N. Rampart St., New Orleans 16, Louisiana; Maryland - Carmelite Monastery, 1429 E. Biddle St., Baltimore 13, Maryland; Massachusetts-Discalced Carmelite Monastery, 61 Mt. Pleasant Ave., Roxbury, Boston 19, Massachusetts; Michigan-Monastery of St. Therese of the Child Jesus, 1543 Webb Ave., Detroit 6, Michigan; Carmelite Monastery, 1256 Walker Ave., N.W., Grand Rapids, Michigan; Missouri-Carmelite Monastery, 9150 Clayton Rd., Clayton, St. Louis, Missouri; New Hampshire - Discalced Carmelite Monastery, 148 Bridge St., Concord, New Hampshire; New Jersey-Monastery of the Most B.V.M. of Mt. Carmel, 189 Madison Ave., Morristown, New Jersey; New Mexico-Discalced Carmelite Monastery, Mount Carmel Rd., Santa Fe, New Mexico; New York-Monastery of Our Lady of Mt. Carmel, 745 St. John's Pl., Brooklyn, New York; Monastery of Discalced Carmelites, (Nat'l Shrine of Little Flower of Jesus) 75 Carmel Rd., Buffalo 14, New York; Carmelite Monastery, 1381 University Ave., New York 52, New York; Monastery of Our Lady & St. Joseph, 1530 East Ave., Rochester, New York; Monastery of St. Teresa of Jesus, 428 Duane Ave., Schenectady 4, New York; Ohio—Carmel of the Holy Family, 3176 Fairmount Blvd., Cleveland Heights 18, Ohio; Monastery of the Immaculate Heart of Mary, 201 Latta Ave., Columbus, Ohio; Oklahoma - Carmel of St. Joseph, 4200 N. Meridan Ave., (P.O. Box 86, Warr Acres Branch) Oklahoma City, Oklahoma; Pennsylvania - Carmel of St. Therese of Liseux, Loretto, Pennsylvania; Carmelite Monastery, 66th Ave, & York Rd., (Oak Lane), Philadelphia 26, Pennsylvania; Rhode Island—Carmelite Monastery, Narragansett Ave., Newport, Rhode Island; Texas-Monastery of Discalced Carmelites, 2807 Turtle Creek Blvd., Dallas, Texas; Monastery of Discalced Carmelite Nuns, 1104 Kentucky Ave., San Antonio, Texas; Vermont-Carmelite Monastery, Williston, Vermont; Washington-St. Joseph's Monastery, 1808 18th Ave., Seattle, Washington; West Virginia-Monastery of St. Teresa and St. John of the Cross, Pleasant Valley, Wheeling, West Virginia; Wisconsin—Carmel of the Mother of God, 4802 West Wells St., Milwaukee, Wisconsin.



SISTERS OF ST. CASIMIR Chicago, Illinois

HISTORY: In 1907, the Congregation of the Sisters of St. Casimir was founded in Scranton, Pennsylvania, by Mother Maria, and co-Foundresses, Mother M. Immaculata and Mother M. Concepta. In 1911, the Sisters of St. Casimir established their own Motherhouse and Novitiate in Chicago, Illinois. From this central location their services at present radiate to fields of endeavor in North America, South America, Europe, and in many parts of the United States.

PURPOSE: The ultimate aim of the Congregation of the Sisters of St. Casimir is the sanctification of its members through the three simple vows. The immediate aim entails the performance of works of charity, the education of youth, nursing, care of the aged, and social work. At present they conduct 42 schools, 3 hospitals, and a home for the aged; the number of houses totals 46.

QUALIFICATIONS:

*Applicants are received between 15-35.

*They are requested to submit birth, baptismal, Confirmation and health certificates; and a letter of recommendation from their Pastor.

*Training and study in the postulancy and novitiate lasts $2\frac{1}{2}$ years. During this interval, the candidate supplies her clothing and tuition.

*Although we ask that she defray additional expenses, finances should not stand in the way of a prospective vocation.

HABIT: The Professed Sister wears a black veil, serge habit and scapular. In honor of Our Lady, she also wears a rosary at her right side and a blue cord at her left. A large white collar, a silver crucifix and a gold ring complete her outfit.

For further information please write to:

Reverend Mother General, 2601 West Marquette Road, Chicago 29, Illinois.

SISTERS OF THE CATHOLIC APOSTOLATE

HISTORY: On January 22, 1950, Pope Pius XII, for the first time in the Jubilee Year, performed the solemn rite of Beatification which raised the Blessed Vincent Pallotti. "Pioneer of Catholic Action" to the dignity of the altar, just one hundred years after his death. This modern Apostle and mystic is proudly claimed by the Sisters of the Catholic Apostolate as their Beloved Founder. The Community was instituted at Rome in 1843 for the purpose of caring for girls orphaned by the cholera plague in Italy. The Sisters formed part of Blessed Vincent's three-branched Society of the Catholic Apostolate, comprising priests, sisters, and lay apostles working together in the zealous accomplishment of the labors of Catholic Action. The work of the Sisters spread rapidly over Italy; before the end of the century, they established institutions (now totalling 15) in the United States; in 1933, they opened



missions in several countries of South America.

PURPOSE: The purpose of the Sisters of the Catholic Apostolate is to sanctify their souls and those of others in the various activities of the Catholic Apostolate. The principal types of work include orphanages, nursery schools, elementary and high schools, boarding schools, summer camps, catechetical work, settlement work, census, and social service work.

QUALIFICATIONS: The future Spouse of Christ must have:

*good moral character, good common sense

* good health and no dependents

*certificates of birth, Baptism, Confirmation, health, parents' marriage and a character reference from the Pastor. Age limits are 16-30 (though exceptions may be made).

HABIT: The Sisters' habit, veil, and woolen belt are black; a short mantle, a white guimpe, a white band and coif, a seven decade rosary, a crucifix, and a gold crucifix ring complete the religious vesture.

For further information please write to:

Rev. Mother Regional Superior, Sisters of the Catholic Apostolate, Pallottine, Saint Patrick's Villa, Harriman, New York.



DAUGHTERS OF CHARITY OF THE SACRED HEART OF JESUS Colebrook, New Hampshire

HISTORY: OVER THREE CON-TINENTS. . . the Daughters of Charity bring the Charity of Christ to France. America, and South Africa. Inspired with that spirit or zeal and love for the Sacred Heart that has ever been the source of new life and activity in the Church, Rose Giet, together with her director, Rev. J. M. Catroux, founded what has since come to be known as the Daughters of Charity of the Sacred Heart of Jesus. The time-1823: the place-La Salle de Vihiers, France. Four Sisters set sail for the United States in October 1905. and began their labors as teachers. catechists, and nurses at Newport, Vermont. Very soon, they spread rapidly to New York, Maine, and Quebec, Canada. In 1949, an American novitiate was canonically erected in Colebrook, New Hampshire, for the training of those privileged souls desirous of conse-

crating their lives to the work of the Sacred Heart of Jesus.

PURPOSE: Paramount in their program of service to God is the spreading throughout the world of a great devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus. To fulfill this noble aim the Sisters engage in a variety of works: day nurseries, grammar, boarding and high schools, colleges, hospitals, nursing schools, homes for the aged, Colored Missions, orphanages, as well as other works of charity. OUALIFICATIONS:

*Postulants are received between the ages of 16 and 30.

*After a two-year novitiate during which the Sisters are grounded in the spiritual life and the spirit of their Community, they pronounce the three vows of Poverty, Chastity, and Obedience.

HABIT: The religious habit is very simple: a black uniform, a white neckerchief, a coif, and a black mantle for religious ceremonies. The Sisters also wear a silver cross bearing the image of the Sacred Heart, emblem of the Congregation.

For further information please write to:

Rev. Mother Superior, Daughters of Charity of the Sacred Heart, Colebrook, New Hampshire.

DAUGHTERS OF CHARITY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

HISTORY: The poor claim the Sisters of Charity as their very own. To the needs of the poor they owe their origin. St. Vincent de Paul gathered a group of pious country girls, trained them under St. Louise de Marillac and sent them out to the garrets of Paris. In a short time they were in demand everywhere. For the Sister of Charity "her convent would be the home of the sick; her cell, a rented room; her chapel, the parish church; her cloister, the streets of the city; her grille, fear of God; her veil, holy modesty". The Superior General of the Congregation of the Mission is the Superior General of the Sisters of Charity. In 1809, Elizabeth Ann Seton established a branch of these Sisters at Emmitsburg, Maryland.

PURPOSE: The needs of the poor determine the works of the Sisters of Charity. After her name she signs these letters: "u.d.o.c.s.o.t.s.p.". They mean: "Unworthy Daughter of

Charity, servant of the sick poor". From the garrets of Paris they followed the poor to the ends of the earth. Today there are 45,000 of them ministering to every misery known to men in every nation under the sun. Their field is limitless as human suffering. Their motto: "The charity of Christ urges us"; their methods the most modern and efficient, for the poor deserve only the best.

QUALIFICATIONS:

- *Any Catholic girl of good character, between 18-30 who has completed her high school education, may become a Sister of Charity.
- *She must have a love for the poor.
- *Since Mary revealed the Miraculous Medal to St. Catherine Laboure, a Sister of Charity, it is the mission of the Sisters to make it known to the world.

HABIT: The garb of the Sister of Charity is still that of the peasant girl of 1633. Once so inconspicuous on the streets of Paris, the white cornette and blue gown of the Sister of Charity is easily identified, even in a convention hall crowded with a thousand nuns of various orders.

For further information please write to:

Rev. Mother Superior, St. Joseph Central House, Emmitsburg, Maryland; Rev. Mother Superior, Marillac Seminary, Normandy, Missouri.



SISTERS OF CHARITY

HISTORY: The Sisters of Charity whose Motherhouse is Seton Hill, Greensburg, Pennsylvania, are a branch of the American Sisters of Charity. The first foundation in the Pittsburgh diocese was from Emmitsburg, in 1835. This was withdrawn after ten years. The second, from Cincinnati, in 1870, is now a pontifical Congregation of seven hundred Sisters. Their work embraces the poor and the affluent. the gifted and the handicapped. They conduct Seton Hill College, Elizabeth Seton High School, The Pittsburgh Hospital, Providence Hospital, Roselia Foundling Hospital, the House of Mary, a social service center for the colored, and De Paul Institute, a school for the deaf, presently extending its work to all types of special education. In Altoona, Greensburg, Pittsburgh, and Tucson dioceses they teach twenty-nine elementary and seven high schools.

PURPOSE: The sanctification of each Sister, her drawing closer

to Christ through prayer and active works of charity, is the whole purpose of the Community. The simple vows of Poverty, Chastity, and Obedience are the bond of union with God, one another, and the Church.

OUALIFICATIONS:

*The indispensable qualification is the sincere desire to give a life to God for the love of God.

*Joined with this desire must be normal intelligence, good health, and youth (under thirty-one years.)

*The Congregation educates the Sister for her particular work.

HABIT: The dress is the black cap of Mother Seton with an inner white cap; a simply made black habit with a white collar and white inner sleeves; black apron and cape.

For further information please write to:

Mother Superior, Sisters of Charity, Seton Hill, Greensburg, Pennsylvania.

THE SISTERS OF CHARITY OF ST. AUGUSTINE

HISTORY: The Sisters of Charity of St. Augustine originated from the Augustinian Sisters of Arras, France, whose history begins with the thirteenth century. The Most Reverend Amadeus Rappe, first bishop of Cleveland, needing sisters for corporal works of mercy, appealed to the French Augustinians. Mother M. Bernadine and Sister M. Francoise of St. Louis Hospital, Boulogne-sur-Mer, with two postulants (later Mother M. Augustine and Mother M. St. Joseph) sailed from Le Havre, September 24, 1851, to establish the new community. In 1852 they opened Cleveland's first hospital. They formally began caring for orphans in 1853. Later they opened Cleveland's first school of nursing and first free clinic. The Congregation now conducts seven hospitals, four schools of nursing, three homes for dependent children, a home for unwed mothers, an academy, and five elementary schools.



PURPOSE: The primary purpose of the Congregation is the personal sanctification of its members; its secondary aim, the practice of the works of mercy. The sisters devote themselves to the care of the sick, to social services, and to Catholic education. In accord with their motto, "in omnibus caritas," they regard charity as their outstanding characteristic.

QUALIFICATIONS: Young girls desirous of entering this Community must be:

- * between 15 and 30
- *of excellent character, of adaptable disposition, and must show signs of a true religious vocation
- *physically, mentally, socially, and morally fitted for the works of the Congregation.

HABIT: The habit of the Sisters of Charity of St. Augustine is of grey serge with a black cincture. The headdress consists of a white bandeau, white linen guimpe, black domino, and a black veil. For further information please write to:

Rev. Mother Superior, St. Augustine's Academy, 14808 Lake Avenue, Lakewood 7, Ohio.



SISTERS OF CHARITY OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY Dubuque, Iowa

HISTORY: An American institute. the Congregation of the Sisters of Charity of the Blessed Virgin Mary was founded in Philadelphia, in 1833, by Mother Mary Frances Clarke, an Irish gentlewoman. Following the inspiration of the Jesuit missionary Father De Smet, who kindled their interest in the western missions, and the advice of Father James Terence Donaghoe, pastor of their Philadelphia school, the Sisters, in 1843, accepted the invitation of Bishop Matthias Loras to transfer their Motherhouse and Novitiate to the Diocese of Dubuque. The Congregation grew rapidly, opening schools throughout the middle west. In 1883, His Holiness, Pope Leo XIII, gave final approval to the Institute, which today numbers 2023 members, who conduct schools in 18 States and in Hawaii.

PURPOSE: Devoted exclusively to education, the Sisters, popularly called "the B.V.M.s," conduct 135 elementary schools, 46 high schools, and two colleges, Clarke and Mundelein. In the schools, some Sisters are assigned to teaching, others to nursing, library work, administration, secretarial work, or direction of various departments.

QUALIFICATIONS: The most important qualifications for candidates are:

*age: 15-30

*a sincere desire to achieve personal holiness by dedicating their lives to the glory of God and the salvation of souls

*baptismal and Confirmation certificates.

HABIT: The black serge habit includes a cape with white collar, a pleated skirt and apron, cincture with rosary and crucifix attached, a white cap and hood, and a black veil.

For further information please write to:

The Superior General, St. Joseph Convent, Mount Carmel, Dubuque, Iowa.

SISTERS OF CHARITY OF CINCINNATI

HISTORY: The Sisters of Charity of Cincinnati were founded by Mother Elizabeth Seton in 1809 at Emmitsburg, Maryland. Envisioning the need in America for a community with the spirit of the Daughters of Charity of St. Vincent de Paul in France, Elizabeth Bayley Seton, an American convert, was inspired to establish such a congregation in America. In 1829, in answer to an appeal of Bishop Fenwick, four of these Sisters left Emmitsburg to open an orphanage in Cincinnati. This little group was the nucleus of what, in 1851, became an independent Community, the Sisters of Charity of Cincinnati. The 1400 members serve the Church in Colorado, Illinois, Maryland, Michigan, New Mexico, Ohio, and in China.

PURPOSE: The life work of the Sister of Charity is the sanctification of her own soul and the salvation of the souls of others. Today the Sisters operate a college for

young women, academies for girls, a boy's military academy, day nurseries, grade and high schools. Their zeal for souls takes them to labor in home and foreign missions; to care for the sick, the deaf, the foundling and the orphan; to conduct vacation schools; to work among the poor and suffering in social centers, and in broken homes.

QUALIFICATIONS:

- *An applicant should be between 16 and 28 years of age, of sound mind and good health, and of good character.
- *Especially should she have a desire to glorify God, to sanctify her soul, and to spend her life for the salvation of the souls of others.

HABIT: The Sisters wear a black habit with a round black cape covering the shoulders and extending below the waist. They wear a white guimpe and a white cap covered by a black veil, which is somewhat longer than the cape.

For further information please write to:

Reverend Mother General, Mount St. Joseph, Cincinnati, Ohio.



SISTERS OF CHARITY OF SAINT ELIZABETH Convent, New Jersey

HISTORY: The Community of the Sisters of Charity of Saint Elizabeth was founded in Newark, New Jersey, on September 29, 1859, by Mother Mary Xavier Mehegan at the request of the Most Reverend James Roosevelt Bayley, first Bishop of Newark. The Bishop was the nephew of Mother Elizabeth Ann Bayley Seton, Foundress of the Sisters of Charity in the United States. Sister Mary Catherine Nevin was named Mother Xavier's assistant. The first five postulants were sent to Cincinnati to make their novitiate under Mother Margaret Cecilia George, who had been one of the first companions of Mother Seton. This was the nucleus of the new Community. At Mother Xavier's death in 1915 the Community numbered 1200 members laboring in 94 missions which she had opened. At present, 1951, the Community numbers 1721 members.

PURPOSE: The principal ends of the Institute are: the personal sanctification of its members by the observance of the simple vows of Poverty, Chastity, and Obedience; the Catholic education of youth; and the spiritual and temporal care of the poor, including foundlings, orphans, the sick, the aged, and the afflicted.

QUALIFICATIONS: All Catholic young women between 16 and 30 may be admitted who:

- *are citizens of the United States
- *can present a testimonial of good character, a certificate of health, and a high school diploma
- *are unhindered by any impediment.

HABIT: The habit is black. A cape covers the shoulders, and an apron covers the front of the habit. A separate collar and inner sleeves are white. A white fluted cap with a black veil constitutes the headdress.

For further information please write to:

Rev. Mother General, Sisters of Charity of St. Elizabeth, Convent, New Jersey.

SISTERS OF CHARITY—"GREY NUNS OF MONTREAL"

HISTORY: The Community of the Sisters of Charity, known as "Grey Nuns," was founded by Madame d'Youville, in 1738, in Montreal, Canada. The vocation of a Grey Nun consists in an earnest desire to give oneself, for the love of God, to the service of the poor, the sick, and the destitute. Although not a contemplative order, the Grey Nuns find their strength and consolation in prayerful recollection and faithful adherence to the tenets of the religious life.

PURPOSE: These daughters of Mother d'Youville have now labored in the vineyard of the Lord for over two centuries in the field of Catholic Action. Day in and day out they have striven to cultivate the humble works of mercy. Divine Providence has seen fit to bless their labors. From Montreal they have carried the Charity of Christ to all parts of Canada, even to the Arctic shores of Hudson Bay, and into the United



States. They conduct hospitals, sanitoriums, orphanages, homes for the aged, schools, institutions for the blind, social service, as well as other works of charity.

QUALIFICATIONS: Entrance requirements for aspirants into this Community are:

*the right inclination, moral fitness, sufficient intelligence, and good health.

Before entering the Congregation, the candidate must reply in writing to the questionnaire presented by the Community.

HABIT: The simple garb of the Grey Nuns consists of a grey habit and a black headdress. They also wear a silver cross.

For further information please write to:

The Mistress of Novices, 1575 Cambridge Street, Cambridge 38, Massachusetts.



SISTERS OF CHARITY OF THE INCARNATE WORD

HISTORY: The Order of the Incarnate Word and Blessed Sacrament, of which the Congregation of the Sisters of Charity of the Incarnate Word is the Third Order, was founded in France in 1625 by the saintly Mother Jeanne Chezard de Matel. In 1866, the Rt. Rev. C. M. Dubuis, Bishop of Galveston, went to France looking for Sisters for his vast diocese. Three brave young French religious answered his appeal, and with these he founded the Congregation of the Sisters of Charity of the Incarnate Word. The first house, St. Mary's Infirmary, Galveston, Texas, remained the Motherhouse until 1925, when Villa de Matel, Houston, was opened. The Congregation enjoys the approval of the Holy See as a Pontifical Institute.

PURPOSE: The principal end of the Congregation is the sanctification of its members by means of the simple vows and the observance of

the Constitutions. The secondary end is the practice of charity in the care of the sick, the aged and orphans; the Christian education of children, and of men and women in the nursing and allied professions.

QUALIFICATIONS: The chief requirements for any girl in her teens or twenties wishing to apply are:

- * good health; good common sense; good will
- *at least a high school education
- *a desire to follow Christ, the Incarnate Word.

HABIT: The Holy Habit is black. The headdress is of white linen with a black veil. On the front of the Scapular, the symbol of the Incarnate Word is embroidered with red silk.

For further information please write to:

Mother General, Sisters of Charity of the Incarnate Word, Villa de Matel, 6510 Lawndale Avenue, Houston 23, Texas.

SISTERS OF CHARITY OF THE INCARNATE WORD San Antonio, Texas

HISTORY: The Congregation of the Sisters of Charity of the Incarnate Word was founded by Most Rev. Claude M. Dubuis at Galveston. Texas, in 1866. The first Sisters received their religious training at the Monastery of the Incarnate Word and Blessed Sacrament, Lyons, France. Since the means of travel was primitive in those days and the distance between Galveston and San Antonio long and dangerous, the foundation made at San Antonio in 1869 became an independent Community in 1870. Throughout the struggles of pioneer days the Sisters retained the primitive spirit and kept unchanged the religious habit conferred upon the first members at Lyons. The Congregation, which received final approbation from Pope Pius X, in 1910, has houses in Mexico, Ireland, and the United States.

PURPOSE: The object of the Congregation is the glory of God, the

sanctification of its members, and the salvation of souls. It conducts hospitals, orphanages, elementary and secondary schools, and colleges. Perpetual Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament is maintained at the Motherhouse.

QUALIFICATIONS: Applicants are accepted into this Community who:

- *are over 15 and under 30
- *have certificates of legitimate birth, Baptism and Con-
- *possess aptitudes for the religious life
- *present a recommendation from the Pastor
- *provide a dowry, unless lawfully dispensed therefrom.

HABIT: The habit, scapular and veil are black; the cincture is of red worsted, the guimpe and bandeau of white linen, a large black rosary, silver crucifix and gold ring complete the religious garb.

For further information please write to:

The Mother Provincial, Incarnate Word Convent, San Antonio 9, Texas; Incarnate Word Convent, 2800 Normandy Drive, St. Louis 21, Missouri.



SISTERS OF CHARITY OF ST. JOAN ANTIDA

HISTORY: The Order of the Sisters of Charity of St. Joan Antida was founded in France by St. Joan Antida Thouret, at an era when the French Revolution had suppressed all Convents, and thereby attacking the sources of christian charity. Like thousands of others. Joan Antida was compelled to abandon the convent of the "Daughters of Charity of St. Vincent De Paul'' where she had been a novice, and return home penniless and in rags. Her excellent qualities could not remain unobserved, and as calm gradually returned to France, she opened a school for children and a dispensary for the poor of the city. Inspired by her examples the Institute spread rapidly, and has since established 800 houses in Italy, France, England, Switzerland, Malta, Algiers, Syria, Lebanon, Indo-China, and in 1932, in the United States. The Rules received final approbation of the Holy See in 1819.

PURPOSE: The glory of God and the sanctification of its members through the spiritual and corporal works of mercy. The Sisters may be assigned to any of the duties in hospitals, homes for the aged, day nurseries, schools, etc., and household duties towards which, every Sister contributes in a spirit of humility. The Institute comprises but one class of Sisters who are equally subjected to the <u>same</u> common life and enjoy the <u>same</u> privileges.

QUALIFICATIONS: Requirements for admission are:

*Age: 16-30 (a dispensation may be granted for special reasons).

*A desire to serve God in the religious life.

*Good health and good character adaptable for the Com-

munity life.

*Although a certain amount of dowry is desirable, no candidate will be refused admittance because of lack of education or means. What counts more is a true vocation.

HABIT: The Sisters wear a grey habit, white coiffure and guimpe, black apron and veil.

For further information please write to:

Reverend Mother Provincial, St. Joan Antida Convent, 6640 W. Beloit Rd., West Allis 14, Wisconsin.

SISTERS OF CHARITY OF LEAVENWORTH

HISTORY: The Sisters of Charity of Leavenworth, whose history is inextricably linked with that of the West, came in 1858 from sunny Tennessee to labor for slaveholder, freeholder, and Indian in the vicariate of Bishop John Baptist Miege, S.J., vicar-apostolic of the Indian Territory (Missouri to the Rockies). They are a daughter foundation of the Sisters of Charity of Nazareth, Kentucky. Equipped only with Faith, spinnet, spinning wheel, and harp, the Sisters, under the leadership of their Foundress, Mother Xavier Ross-the convert daughter of a Methodist minister-battled for souls as pioneers battled for territory. God blessed their work. Today the Sisters of Charity of Leavenworth serve God and the Church in Kansas, Missouri, Nebraska, Colorado, New Mexico, Wyoming, Montana, California, and Illinois. The Novitiate and Motherhouse of the Sisters of Charity of



Leavenworth, a Pontifical Institute, are some thirty miles from Kansas City, Missouri.

PURPOSE: The purposes of the Institute are personal sanctification of the members, and service of Christ in the neighbor. In the spirit of St. Vincent de Paul, their patron, the Sisters teach kindergarten through college, and in summer vacation school; care for the abandoned babe, the orphan, the aged; maintain hospitals and training schools; participate in the apostolate for the Negro.

QUALIFICATIONS: Young women:

- *16-30
- *normal health
- *intelligence
- *good reputation
- *and a sincere desire to serve God, are acceptable candidates.

HABIT: The habit of the Sisters is of black serge, with a circular cape, plaited apron and detachable full sleeves. Sisters serving in hospitals wear a white uniform instead of the black serge habit. For further information please write to:

The Mother General, Sisters of Charity of Leavenworth, Xavier, Kansas.



THE SISTERS OF CHARITY OF NAZARETH

HISTORY: The Congregation of the Sisters of Charity of Nazareth was established near Bardstown, Kentucky, in December, 1812. Father J. B. David, later Bishop of Mauricastro, and Catherine Spalding, the first Superior, are regarded as co-Founders of the Community which now numbers approximately 1450 members. The name, Sisters of Charity of Nazareth, was chosen because the founders planned that the Sisters would devote themselves to varied works of charity. Schools were soon opened and through the vears new works have been undertaken whenever the need arose and Sisters were available. Sisters of Charity of Nazareth are engaged in the works of the Congregation in ninety branch houses located in the Archdiocese of Boston, Louisville, and Washington, D. C., and in eleven dioceses. The Sisters of Charity of Nazareth take the three vows of Poverty, Chastity, and Obedience.

PURPOSE: Mother Catherine personally initiated many of the multiform works, which include: primary, elementary, and high school teaching in parochial schools and academies; higher education in colleges and in nurses' training schools; care of the sick in hospitals, mental as well as physical; care of orphans and summer camps for girls. Schools for negro pupils have been conducted since 1871, and Sisters have been engaged in educational and hospital work in Patna, India, since 1947.

QUALIFICATIONS: The chief qualifications for candidates are:

- *good will, good judgment, good health
- *age: 16-30 (exceptions are sometimes made for suitable candidates over 30)
- *entrance dates Jan. 18, June 7, and Sept. 24
- *candidates are expected to present the usual customary canonical certificates.

HABIT: The habit is black and includes a circular cape, apron, and a white cap.

For further information please write to:

Mother General, Mother House of Sisters of Charity of Nazareth, Nazareth, Kentucky.

THE SISTERS OF CHARITY OF OUR LADY OF MERCY Charleston, So. Carolina

HISTORY: In 1929, the Most Reverend John England, first Bishop of Charleston, South Carolina, realized he needed assistance in caring for the orphans and the little slave children of his diocese. Accordingly, he sought for help. Three young women, originally from Ireland, came from Baltimore to aid Bishop England in the work of his vast missionary diocese which then comprised three States, the Carolinas and Georgia. This was the beginning of the Congregation of the Sisters of Charity of Charleston, founded under the patronage of Our Lady of Mercy. In 1835, the growing Congregation joined in the fight against the devastating yellow fever epidemic in which many Nuns sacrificed their own lives while endeavoring to save the lives of others. The War between the States saw many of the Sisters nursing the wounded of both armies. Since those



early days the Congregation has opened schools, hospitals, social service centers, an orphanage, and catechetical centers, in South Carolina and in New Jersey.

PURPOSE: The purpose of the Congregation is to glorify God and sanctify its members by the practice of the spiritual and corporal works of mercy according to the Rule of the Sisters of Charity (St. Vincent de Paul). Their principal works are teaching and nursing the sick.

QUALIFICATIONS: Young women between the ages of 16 and 30 are eligible to join this Congregation provided that they:

- *are in good health
- * have a docile, sociable disposition
- *desire to serve God in the religious life.

HABIT: The habit is made of black woolen material. A white collar completes a circular cape which extends a little below the waist. An apron of the same material as the habit covers the habit completely in front. The head is covered by a close-fitting white cap over which is worn a white bonnet covered by a black veil.

For further information please write to:

Rev. Mother Superior, Convent of Our Lady of Mercy, 68 Legare St., Charleston, So. Carolina.



SISTERS OF CHARITY OF OUR LADY MOTHER OF MERCY

HISTORY: The Congregation of Sisters of Charity of Our Lady Mother of Mercy, was founded in 1832 by the Archbishop of Utrecht, the Right Rev. John Zwijsen, who at the time was pastor of Tilburg, Holland; assisted by Sister Mary Michael Leijsen the first Mother General, for the purpose of consecrating their lives to God by the vows of Religion and in laboring for the welfare of others. Soon other young women joined the Community, and in time, its scope of activities extended beyond the confines of Tilburg-to Belgium, England, United States, South America, and the East and West Indies. In response to the invitation of the Right Rev. Francis P. McFarland D.D., Bishop of Hartford, six Sisters of Charity arrived in New York, on October 4, 1874, and established their Motherhouse in Baltic, eastern Connecticut.

PURPOSE: The aim of the Congregation is twofold; the personal

sanctification of its members and the salvation of souls through the works of mercy. The Sisters care for the sick in their homes and in general hospitals, clinics, sanitoriums, and leprosaria. They conduct schools ranging in grade from kindergarten to college level, including training schools for nurses and for teachers, as well as special institutions for the blind, deaf, the orphan and the underprivileged.

QUALIFICATIONS: An Aspirant should have the following requirements:

*Age: she should be under 30.

*Although high school education is desired, women with less education, who have had business or domestic experience are also welcome.

*Ordinarily a small dowry is required; but lack of funds will not interfere with the acceptance of any worthy girl.

HABIT: The Sisters wear a black veil, habit, scapular and apron. A white starched cap projects from beneath the veil, and a white starched frontpiece, attached at the neck, extends downward; a plain gold ring, a silver cross, and a pair of large rosary beads completes the general appearance of the habit.

For further information please write to:

Rev. Mother Superior, Academy of the Holy Family, Baltic, Connecticut.

SISTERS OF CHARITY OF PROVIDENCE

HISTORY: The Community of the Sisters of Charity of Providence was founded in 1843 in Montreal, Canada, by Bishop Ignatius Bourget and Mother Gamelin, for the relief of the poor and aged. The tiny acorn developed into a strong oak that now spreads its branches from the eastern to the western coast of the North American continent. After one hundred and eight years of existence, the Institute of Providence numbers one hundred twenty-six houses, situated in thirty-three dioceses throughout Canada, and the United States of America, where 3,500 Professed Sisters are serving God in hospitals, orphan asylums, homes for the aged, schools, and colleges.

PURPOSE: The motto of the Community: "The Charity of Christ Presseth Us!" is a stirring call to action, a maxim for generous souls; it has been the inspiration for the most varied works of apostolic zeal comprising all works of mercy, in-



cluding educational and missionary enterprises. The Sisters o. Charity of Providence aim at their personal sanctification through the simple vows of Poverty, Chastity, and Obedience, and the observance of their Constitutions; they strive to promote God's glory by the works of their Institute. Because of the variety of its enterprises the Institute of Providence offers a wide choice of works and can utilize the most varied aptitudes.

QUALIFICATIONS:

- *Candidates are received between the ages of 16 and 30.
- *Each must have a doctor's certificate.
- *During the postulancy and Novitiate the candidate provides for her board and clothing. However, the Community never refuses an aspirant for financial reasons if she is otherwise worthy of admission.
- *Following the Novitiate, annual vows are made for three years after which perpetual vows are pronounced.

For further information please write to:

Reverend Mother Provincial, Sacred Heart Hospital, 101 W. 8th Ave., Spokane 9, Washington; Reverend Mother Provincial, Moun Saint Vincent, 4831—35th Avenue, S.W., Seattle 6, Washington



THE SISTERS OF CHARITY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL Halifax, Nova Scotia

HISTORY: The Sisters of Charity of Saint Vincent de Paul, Halifax, Nova Scotia, owe their origin to Mother Seton, Foundress of the Sisters of Charity at Emmitsburg, Maryland, in 1809. In 1849, a group of Sisters was sent from New York to open the first mission in Halifax. years later, with the approval of the Holy See, the Halifax community became an independent congregation. Missions were soon opened in Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, and Massachusetts. At present the Community has 83 houses in five Canadian Provinces and four States of the Union. There is one house in Bermuda. The congregation received final approbation from Rome in 1913. The Mother House is at Mount Saint Vincent, Halifax, N. S.

PURPOSE: The principal work of the Community is teaching; but the Sisters engage in other works of charity. They conduct the only in-

dependent Woman's College in Canada, and teach in private and public schools. They also conduct hospitals, orphanages, nurseries, homes for the aged, hostels for working girls, and two residential schools for Indian children.

QUALIFICATIONS: The Sisters of Charity need young women:

*who are not over thirty years of age

*who are willing to give themselves to the works of charity for the love of God

*who possess good health, and who have a certificate of recommendation from their pastor or confessor.

A Novitiate of two years follows a term of six months spent as a postulant. Temporary vows are followed, after 6 years, by Perpetual Vows. Dates of entrance are September 8 and February 2.

HABIT: The Sisters wear a black habit and pleated cape, a white coif and collar, and a black veil. Part of the habit is a rosary of five decades with a crucifix of brass worn at the side.

For further information please write to:

Reverend Mother General, Mount Saint Vincent, Halifax, Nova Scotia.

SISTERS OF CHARITY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL Mount Saint Vincent-on-Hudson New York

HISTORY: The Sisters of Charity of the Archdiocese of New York were founded by Mother Elizabeth Seton at Emmitsburg, Maryland, in 1809. In 1817, at the request of Bishop Connolly of New York, Mother Seton sent Sisters to care for the needy dependent children of that diocese. In 1847, the Separate New York Motherhouse was established. The great city, with its throngs of children, its poverty and sickness, its demands for Catholic education on all levels, has for nearly one hundred and fifty years held out appealing hands to these Sisters, who have always responded gladly with sacrifice and service. The Community works include a college, academies, elementary and high schools, hospitals, and homes for dependent children. The Sisters carry on extensive missionary activities also among the natives of the Bahama Islands.



PURPOSE: The Purpose of the Community is to promote the glory of God by the sanctification of its members, by the apostolate of Catholic education and by the service of the poor through the spiritual and corporal works of mercy. The Sisters take perpetual vows.

QUALIFICATIONS:

*Age limits are 17 to 30.

*Candidates must have an earnest desire to serve God

faithfully in the religious life.

*Because the Community works provide opportunities for all types of service, no special degree of education is stipulated as a requirement for entrance.

HABIT: The distinguishing marks of the costume of the New York Sisters are the cape and cap such as were worn by Mother Seton. The habit is black with a white collar and white undersleeves. The cap is of black silk. A large rosary hangs from the belt.

For further information please write to:

The Reverend Mother General, Mount St. Vincent-on-Hudson, New York 71, N. Y.



SISTERS OF CHARITY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL OF ZAMS, AUSTRIA

HISTORY: The Sisters of Charity of St. Vincent de Paul of Zams, Austria. are true children of St. Vincent de Paul. This Congregation was formally created on April 23, 1826, the Feast of that year of the Patronage of St. Joseph. The instruments in the hands of Divine Providence for the establishment of the Congregation were a holy priest, Father Nicholas Schuler, and a young lady of Zams, Miss Katharine Lins, who in religion took the name of Sister Josefa Nicolina. At Strassburg she made her novitiate under the Sisters of St. Paul who, as a result of the French Revolution, were dispersed into various countries, and returned to Zams to give to her new foundation the spirit and the Rule which St. Vincent gave to St. Louis de Marillac and her co-workers at Paris. After long years of glorious work, the new congregation suffered much from the occupation of the Nazis and Com-

munists. About 20 years ago a group came to the United States.

PURPOSE: The work of the Sisters, like that of all the Daughters of St. Vincent de Paul, embraces practically all charity. In Europe, they conduct schools, orphanages, and hospitals. Here in the United States, on account of the fewness of their numbers, they take care of the domestic department of three seminaries and conduct a home for the aged.

QUALIFICATIONS: What the Congregation looks for in those who seek to enter is:

- *an earnest desire to serve Christ in His poor and suffering members
- *a humble readiness to do any work Christ may ask of them through obedience
- *a desire to follow in the footsteps of Christ.

For further information please write to:

Mother Superior, St. Joseph's Home for the Aged, 705 Clyman St., Watertown, Wisconsin.

THE SISTERS OF CHRISTIAN CHARITY

HISTORY: Before the tall, gracious woman stood Dr. Herman Schmidt. "May I entrust them to your love," he questioned. And he put the hands of the little blind girls into hers, knowing that they clasped those of a perfect friend, Pauline von Mallinckrodt. She was not yet known as the Foundress of the Sisters of Christian Charity. She would be on August 21, 1849. Unable to find a sisterhood that would take charge of her blind, Pauline, on the advice of the Auxiliary Bishop of Cologne, founded THE SISTERS OF CHRIS-TIAN CHARITY, DAUGHTERS OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION. Exiled from their native country during the Kulturkampf, the first Sisters came to America in 1873.

PURPOSE: Here, and a year later in South America, they engaged in teaching, the purpose for which the Congregation was established. Today the Sisters are active in hospi-

tals, dispensaries, orphanages, homes for delinquents, homes for working girls, catechetical centers, mission schools, homes for the aged, and retreat houses.

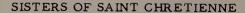
QUALIFICATIONS: Any young girl between 15-30 may apply for admission, provided she has the following essential qualifications:

- *good health
- * reasonable intelligence
- *testimonials of parents' marriage
- *baptismal and Confirmation certificates
- *good moral character.

HABIT: The Sisters' habit consists of a long simple black dress, a cape, an apron, a collar, cuffs, coif, a veil, and a mantle. The collar, cuffs, and coif are of white linen.

For further information please write to:

Rev. Mother Superior, Maria Immaculata Convent, Wilmette, Illinois; Rev. Mother Superior, Mallinckrodt Convent, Mendham, New Jersey.





HISTORY: This Community was founded at Metz (Lorraine) in 1807 by Anne Victoire de Mejanes Tailleur. In this work, she was guided by Msgr. Jauffret, Bishop of Metz. Numerous schools, orphanages, and hospitals were established in eastern France, filling in admirably the needs of the post-Revolutionary period. They prospered until the turn of the century, when religious persecutions forced the Sisters to seek, in other countries, a free territory for their apostolate. They found welcome in Belgium, Austria, England, and America. The Motherhouse remained, however, in Metz. Sisters now number over 176 members. After their first foundation at Salem, Mass., in 1903, they later opened schools in Pawtucket, R. I., Amesbury and Ipswich, Mass., in Rumford, Mexico, and in Maine.

PURPOSE: The primary aim of the Congregation is to procure the glory of God by the Sanctification of its members. The secondary purpose

is the salvation of souls by Christian education of youth and the care of the sick poor. These aims are realized in the United States by the teaching in parochial schools and academies.

QUALIFICATIONS:

- *Candidates are accepted who are between the ages of 17 and 30.
- *They should possess a sociable character, good health, and be free from any notable deformity.
- *Others may be accepted after completing a grammar school course.
- *The Superior General will be the judge of any exceptional case.

HABIT: The habit consists of a black cloth dress, black guimpe and white linen coif over which a black veil is worn; rosary beads which hang from the belt to the right, a silver cross, and a gold ring complete the garb of the Professed religious.

For further information please write to:

Rev. Mother Superior, Ste. Chretienne Academy, 262 Loring Ave., Salem, Massachusetts.

SISTERS OF SAINTS CYRIL AND METHODIUS

HISTORY: The need for religious teachers to instruct the children of the Slovak immigrants, who came in great numbers to America at the beginning of this century, prompted Reverend Matthew Jankola, a zealous priest of the Scranton Diocese, Pennsylvania, to establish a community of Slovak Sisters. At first his efforts ended in disappointments, refusals, failures. Finally he came in contact with Mother Mary Cyril of the Sisters, Servants of the Immaculate Heart of Mary, of Scranton. She agreed to take the girls into her novitiate and provide them with the opportunities for study and spiritual growth which her own novices received. His Holiness Pope Pius X gave his approval on September 11, 1909, and the Congregation of the Sisters of Saints Cyril and Methodius was born. Under the patronage of the Apostles of the Slavs, whose great work it is continuing, the little



Community advanced. Today, after forty-two years of growth, it claims three hundred and fourteen Professed members.

PURPOSE: The members, who consecrate themselves to the service of God in this community, are constantly striving to advance their personal sanctification by the faithful observance of the three simple vows. Their secondary aim is to labor for the Christian education of youth in academies, parochial schools, catechetical classes, and special works of charity in hospitals, orphanages, and homes for the aged.

QUALIFICATIONS:

*Age: 15-25.

* Candidates must be inspired with the right intention.

*As a general rule, completion of the four-year high school is required.

*More important is evidence of the intelligence and common sense necessary to fulfill satisfactorily whatever office is appointed by superiors.

HABIT: The Sisters' habit and veil are black; the headdress is white; a rosary, crucifix, and a silver ring on the left hand complete the simple garb.

For further information please write to:

Reverend Mother Superior, Villa Sacred Heart, Danville, Pennsylvania.



THE DAUGHTERS OF THE CROSS

HISTORY: Marie L'Huillierde Villeneuve founded at Paris, in 1640, one of the very first uncloistered Communities of women dedicated to the education of youth and the works of mercy. Using as a basis for her Constitutions the Rule given her by St. Francis de Sales, her Spiritual Director, Madame de Villeneuve formulated for her daughters a way of life breathing the charity and gentleness of this holy Doctor. Early trials bravely withstood won for the new Congregation the admiration of all and the glorious title "Daughters of the Cross". The friend and champion of these struggling beginnings was St. Vincent de Paul. Since 1855, the Daughters of the Cross have been carrying on their apostolic work in the state of Louisiana.

PURPOSE: By dedicating themselves entirely to God through their religious vows, the Daughters of the Cross strive to attain their own personal sanctification. Through spirit-

tual and corporal works of mercy, particularly in the field of Christian Education, they devote themselves to the sanctification of others.

QUALIFICATIONS: The Congregation will consider the application of any young woman who possesses the following requirements:

- *Age-15-35.
- *Who satisfactorily fulfills the requirements set by Canon Law.
- *A high school education is desirable, but not necessary, since other duties besides teaching further the work of the Community.

HABIT: The habit consists of a black dress, a stiff white linen guimp, and a starched cap to which the veil is attached. A small silver cross, encircled with thorns, hangs from the guimpe, and a simple black rosary is worn at the left side.

For further information please write to:

Reverend Mother Superior, St. Vincent's Academy, Shreveport 49, Louisiana.

THE DAUGHTERS OF DIVINE CHARITY

HISTORY: "All for God, for the poor, and for our Congregation," approved by papal indult as a fitting motto representing the aims of a wonderful foundress-well portrays the irresistible force which led a great soul to the institution of this congregation in Vienna, Austria, in the year 1868. "The poor you have always with you"-Franciska Lechner, deeply imbued with the meaning of these words, set out to help the destitute, particularly, young women and children, so that in caring for the body, the soul may be drawn to God.

PURPOSE: Homes for working girls, boarding schools, and orphanages were her answer to God's call for "workers in His vineyard." Many indeed were those who shared in her joyous self-forgetfulness. Her work was blessed by God and approved by Rome. Before her death in 1894, she had ruled her Community for 26 years, founded

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26 convents, and had 600 spiritual daughters. Today, schools, homes for girls, and homes for the aged are spread throughout Europe and America. In the past year Rome has added nursing to the work of this Congregation.

QUALIFICATIONS: Girls having the desire to sanctify their souls by prayer and active convent life of this type must:

*have the necessary physical strength and mental ability

*possess good moral character.

HABIT: The black serge habit worn by the Daughters of Divine Charity is simple and convenient. Over the habit is worn a short cape; the bonnet encloses the face with a white frill and bow. The head is covered with a black yeil.

For further information please write to:

Reverend Mother Provincial, Daughters of Divine Charity, St. Joseph Hill, 205 Major Avenue, Arrochar, S. I. 5, New York.



THE DAUGHTERS OF DIVINE REDEEMER

HISTORY: The Congregation of The Daughters of Divine Redeemer was founded by the Venerable Mother M. Alphonsa (Elizabeth Eppinger), in 1849, in Alsace Lorraine. The Reverend Foundress had in view at that time only the nursing of the sick as the secondary purpose of the Congregation—the chief aim being the sanctification of its members through the Holy Vows and Rules—but the Catholic Hierarchy soon called the Sisters to take charge of schools, and charitable institutions in nearly all the countries of Europe. So it happens, that today, the Daughters of Divine Redeemer are engaged in nursing, teaching, and in taking care of the old and orphans. The beginnings of the American Province were laid in 1912. The present site of the Provincehouse in Elizabeth, Pennsylvania, was procured in 1924.

PURPOSE: The general end of the Congregation of the Daughters of

Divine Redeemer is the sanctification of its members by the observance of the Evangelical Counsels and the Constitutions of the Institute. The special end of the Congregation is the practice of fraternal charity in teaching, nursing, and in the care of orphans, and the aged.

QUALIFICATIONS:

Young girls are accepted for the postulancy immediately after 8th grade.

Any young Catholic girl may be accepted if she is:

- *between 18 and 30
- *not prevented by any legal impediment
- *in good physical condition
- * imbued with the right intention to serve the interest of her own soul and the souls of others.

HABIT: The Sisters wear a waist length cape over a black habit, a crucifix suspended from the neck, a large black rosary, and a black waist length veil attached to a small white guimpe.

For further information please write to:

The Venerable Mother Provincial, St. Joseph's Convent, R. F. D. No. 1, Elizabeth, Pennsylvania.

DAUGHTERS OF THE MOST HOLY REDEEMER

HISTORY: The Congregation of the Daughters of the Most Holy Redeemer is a branch of the foundation established in Alsace, by Maria Alphonsa Eppinger in 1866. This branch numbers approximately 3,000 Sisters. Twelve Sisters came to the United States from the General Motherhouse in Wuerzburg, Bavaria, and opened their first Convent in Baltimore, Md. on the Feast of St. Joseph, 1924. Then as American girls were desirous of entering the order, it became necessary to open a Novitiate in the United States. Candidates from all sections of the United States were admitted, and the Congregation established twelve new houses in the eastern part of the United States, represented in five dioceses.

PURPOSE: As Sisters of mercy, they follow in the footsteps of the Most Holy Redeemer in devoting their lives to the spiritual and

he sick in their homes, in hos-

corporal works of mercy: nursing the sick in their homes, in hospitals, sanatoriums; caring for children in nurseries, orphanages, kindergartens; conducting homes for working girls and for the aged; maintaining household departments in diocesan seminaries; conducting schools of home economics and in performing secretarial, parish, and social welfare work.

QUALIFICATIONS: In this Congregation, there is a place for girls;

- *of every degree of education, from grammar school to college; business and professional, especially in the nursing field
- *between the ages of 16-30, who possess good will, and good health of mind and body.

HABIT: Their habit is black woolen and held at the waist by a black cincture, on which, from the right side, is suspended a black rosary. A short cape is worn over the shoulders, and a black crucifix on the breast.

For further information please write to:

Rev. Mother Superior, Meadowbrook, Pennsylvania.



DAUGHTERS OF JESUS

HISTORY: The Congregation of the Daughters of Jesus came into existence in the year 1834, soon after the terrible years of the French Revolution. Rev. Father Noury, Dean of Bignan, who had been forced during this time to flee from his parish in peril of his life, returned only to find his people sadly neglected. Unable, in his failing health, to realize his plan of founding a religious order that would cope with the existing situation, his successor, Father Coeffic, carried out the plans of this zealous priest. His choice fell upon Perrine Samson, a devoted worker capable of training other souls, who later became Mother Angele, the first Daughter of Jesus. By 1831, she had gathered several companions around her. In 1834, they pronounced their first vows.

PURPOSE: The Daughter of Jesus of today, is trying to spread the flame of God's image in the souls of those she serves by working devotedly among the poor, the sick

and aged; teaching children in all types of schools and assisting the priests in their work for souls, in France, England, Belgium, Canada, and the United States.

QUALIFICATIONS:

*Young girls, between the ages of 16 and 30, who wish to become members of the Daughters of Jesus, must be from good families, sincerely desire to consecrate themselves to the service of God, and must have average health and normal intelligence.

*During the time of postulancy and noviceship, the privileged candidates receive an intensive training which enables them to live a normal religious life, and to perform

the duties of their future work.

For further information please write to:

Saint Joseph's Hospital, Lewistown, Montana; Provincial House, Morinville, Alberta, Canada.

DAUGHTERS OF JESUS

HISTORY: A contemporary religious Congregation founded by Candida Maria de Jesus, on December 8, 1871 in Salamanca, Spain, under the direction of Rev. Fr. Herranz, S.J., was approved by Leo XIII, on July 30, 1901. The Foundress died in 1912. Its members add to the way of the Commandments that of the Evangelical Counsels. Their life is one of prayer and works of zeal, in the vast field of education of youth, combining the contemplative with the active life. The Congregation is now established in several parts of the world. Spain has 33 houses, South America 8, and the Far Eastern Vice-Province has 3 houses in China, and 3 in the Philippines. In 1950, the first house in the United States was opened in Pinehurst, North Carolina, where the religious now conduct the diocesan retreat house for women, while awaiting openings in the educational field.



PURPOSE: The twofold purpose of

the Congregation—succinctly expressed in the motto borrowed from the Jesuit co-founder "To the greater glory of God"—is the personal sanctification of its members through the observance of the religious vows and their Constitutions, and the sanctification of others through the medium of the Catholic education of women and girls.

QUALIFICATIONS:

*Aspirants must show evidence, of a generous desire to serve God in the religious life and to persevere therein, and be of good character, health, and intelligence, as required for the works of the Institute.

*In addition, one must present records of Baptism, Confirmation, health, and the recommendation of one's

Pastor.

HABIT: The habit is black wool, like a cassock, with a cincture from which hangs a rosary. A black wool cape reaching to the waist, is fastened by a metalic symbol bearing the letters IHS. The coiffure is a simple white cap and guimpe covered with a soft black veil.

For further information please write to:

Mother Superior, Maryhurst Retreat House, Pinehurst, North Carolina.



DAUGHTERS OF MARY, HEALTH OF THE SICK Vista Maria, Cragsmoor, N. Y.

HISTORY: The Daughters of Mary, Health of the Sick were established in 1935 by Rev. Edward F. Garesche, S.J., with the authority of His Eminence, Patrick Cardinal Hayes. At the same time the Cardinal appointed Mother Mary Angela as Superior of the Community. Early in 1936 property was pur chased for a motherhouse and novitiate at Vista Maria, Cragsmoor, N. Y. The Daughters of Mary, Health of the Sick are foreign Missionary Sisters, dedicated to the special vocation of imitation of our Blessed Mother under her beautiful and ancient title, "Health of the Sick." As Our Lady is the Health of the Sick both of soul and of body, so the sisters' apostolate imitates her compassion through religious instruction to bring souls to God and nursing to bring renewed phy -

sical help. A third phase of the work is the training of native women as nurse-catechists to be lay apostles among their own people. The sisters have fulfilled the request of the Holy See expressed in the Instruction of Feb. 11, 1936, for the foundation of new communities to devote themselves to help both mothers and babies in the missions. The wide scope of work offers an outlet for a variety of talents and training. After profession the sisters are trained for the work to which they will be assigned. In addition to work in the U. S., a flourishing mission center has been established in Okinawa, Ryukyu Islands, and as time goes on the sisters will go into all foreign mission fields. The constitutions are based on the rule of St. Ignatius. There are no lay sisters in this community.

PURPOSE: Promoting the holiness and perfection of its members as they labor for the salvation of souls is the primary endeavor of this Institute. It is also dedicated to religious instruction, social service work and the nursing of the sick in mission areas.

QUALIFICATIONS:

- *Age: 17-30.
- *Applicants should be fit mentally and physically and have a sincere desire to serve God by accepting the grace of a missionary vocation.
- * A high school diploma is desirable, though not essential.

For further information please write to:
Mother Mary Angela, F. M. S. I., Vista Maria, Cragsmoor, N.Y.

DAUGHTERS OF MARY OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION New Britain, Connecticut

HISTORY: The Congregation of Daughters of Mary of the Immaculate Conception was founded in New Britain, Connecticut, in 1904, by the Reverend Lucian Bojnowski. Urged by the desire to honor the Blessed Mother in a special way, on the occasion of the golden jubilee of the proclamation of the dogma of the Immaculate Conception, and wishing to ameliorate the sad plight of orphaned children, Father Bojnowski, a zealous and pious priest, brought together a group of devout Sodalists from his parish and, with ecclesiastical approbation, formed the nucleus of the present Community.

PURPOSE: In accordance with Canon Law, the primary aim of the Institute is the personal sanctification of its members by the observance of the evangelical counsels, and secondarily, to further the apostolate through the exercise of cor-

poral and spiritual works of mercy. The Sisters are engaged in teaching on both the elementary and secondary levels, nursing, caring for the aged and infirm, giving catechetical instructions, conducting orphanages and residences for women.

QUALIFICATIONS: Applicants must:

- *be between 15 and 30
- *have a good moral character, average intellectual ability and good health.

A high school diploma is desirable but not essential.

HABIT: The Sisters wear a simple royal blue habit, a black veil, a white sash, and a black rosary. A large miraculous medal, suspended on a blue ribbon, completes the garb of the Community.

For further information please write to:

Very Reverend Mother General, Immaculate Conception Mother-house, Convent Heights, New Britain, Connecticut.



THE DAUGHTERS OF MARY AND JOSEPH (D.M.J.)

HISTORY: The Daughters of Mary and Joseph are one of four Congregations founded in 1817/18 by that remarkable Belgian churchman, Canon Van Combrugghe. A born educator, an enlightened counsellor of civic and church leaders, he is best known as the winner of that freedom of religion and education, which Belgians still enjoy today. During that tragic period of religious subjugation under the Napoleonic and Dutch regimes, he was the greatest force in the spiritual regeneration of his country. Shortly after his ordination, while still principal of a Belgian college for boys, he founded Communities of men and women, who would foster the fire of faith in the hearts of children through the numerous schools he himself established. Though the Daughters of Mary and Joseph (also called Ladies of Mary) soon had many foundations in Belgium, England and Africa, it was not until 1926 that, at the invi-

tation of the Most Reverend Archbishop John J. Cantwell, they came to California.

PURPOSE: In the novitiate, located in beautiful Brentwood outside Los Angeles, the future Daughter of Mary and Joseph learns the threefold aim of her order, namely: "the glory of God, the sanctification of the members through the simple vows of Poverty, Obedience, Chastity, and the education of youth". Distinguishing qualities developed in the young candidate are: "an abiding love of Our Lady and St. Joseph, zeal for souls, and an abundance of cheerfulness in sacrifice".

QUALIFICATIONS: The Constitutions of the Daughters of Mary and Joseph were approved by the Holy See in 1891. Those who wish to follow them and to participate in the noble work of the founder should possess:

*a well-balanced mind

* sound judgment - good health - excellent character

*at least a high school diploma, and a desire to study.

HABIT: The Sisters wear a black robe and veil, headdress and guimpe of white linen, a scapular and belt of Our Lady's blue. On the veil and on the front of the scapular are embroidered the monogram of their heavenly patroness, Ave Maria (A.M.).

For further information please write to:

The Novitiate of the Daughters of Mary and Joseph, 12935 San Vicente Boulevard, Los Angeles 49, California.

DAUGHTERS OF OUR LADY OF MERCY Newfield, New Jersey

HISTORY: One evening as Bishop De Mari of Savona, Italy, walked through the streets of his See City, he encountered a group of young boys and girls whose behaviour was uncouth and vulgar. He addressed a few words of paternal advice to them and received, in reply, a shrug of the shoulders. Saddened at the prevalent attitude of his flock, he exclaimed as he entered the Episcopal Palace, "Oh, if I had some generous souls who would dedicate themselves to the education of these young souls". These words reached the ear of Benedetta Rossello who hastened to offer her services to the Bishop. Thus was founded on August 10, 1837, the Congregation of the Daughters of Our Lady of Mercy, whose Foundress, Benedetta Rossello, became Sister Mary Joseph, and on June 12, 1949, when Pope Pius XII raised her to the highest honors of

the Church, Saint Mary Joseph Rossello.

PURPOSE: The specific purpose of the Institute is the Christian instruction and education of the children and youth of any condition, especially the poor and abandoned, and the assistance of the sick in hospitals. Therefore, the Sisters here in the United States teach in elementary and high schools, do mission work in parishes, and conduct a convalescent hospital and a nursery.

QUALIFICATIONS: Candidates who are accepted into this Institute must:

- *be between the ages of 15 and 30
- *have good health and present certificates of good conduct, Baptism, and Confirmation
- *have a desire to glorify God, sanctify themselves, and work for the salvation of souls.

HABIT: The Sisters wear a neat, tailored habit of black serge. A cord is worn about the waist from which hangs the Franciscan Rosary. The head piece consists of a black veil, and a semicircular white guimpe worn around the neck.

For further information please write to:

Rev. Mother Provincial, Villa Rossello, Catawba Ave., Newfield, New Jersey.



THE DAUGHTERS OF THE PURITY OF MARY

HISTORY: The Congregation of the Daughters of the Purity of Mary was founded in 1903 in the city of Aguascalientes, Mexico. Under the fatherly protection of the Bishop of Aguascalientes, a group of young girls desiring to glorify God, and to console the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus, united to establish a School. They wished to dedicate themselves to the education of youth in solid Christian principles and in the practice of the virtues of purity and sacrifice. Their labor has rapidly increased under the protection of the Most Blessed Virgin Mary, and has extended in several states of the Republic of Mexico, and in the state of Texas, where three foundations have been established.

PURPOSE: Its principle purpose is: the imitation of the Purity of Mary and the consolation of the Sacred Heart of Jesus, and the salvation of souls by prayer and sacrifice. To

obtain this they labor in schools and retreat houses.

QUALIFICATIONS: Young ladies, 15-30, are accepted who have:

- * sufficient knowledge and good judgment
- *a lively and firm character capable of sacrifice
- *a firm determination to follow Christ
- *a pleasing personality—good conduct and favorable references.

HABIT: The Sisters wear a black habit and scapular; a cincture, a black veil, a white collar, a rosary, and an embroidered monogram of Mary on the scapular complete the religious garb.

For further information please write to:

Rev. Mother General, Post Office Box 843, Kingsville, Texas.

DAUGHTERS OF ST. PAUL MISSIONARIES OF THE CATHOLIC PRESS

HISTORY: THE CATHOLIC PRESS. Whereas many lay persons attempted unsuccessfully in the past to establish a Catholic Apostolate, for the purpose of combating errors spread by a false and immoral press, God raised at the propitious moment a worthy servant to fulfill this great task. The Daughters of St. Paul had their humble origin, during the early part of the twentieth century, while Europe was suffering the pangs of World War I. On August 20, 1915, the Missionaries of the Catholic Press were founded by Rev. James Alberione, in the little town of Alba, Piedmont, Italy, with Mother Thecla Merlo as Co-Foundress, the first and present Mother General of the Community. The Congregation, which now has over 76 houses in Italy alone, and many others in Europe, the Americas, the Philippine Islands, and Japan, established its first foundation in the United



States on August 28, 1932, in Staten Island, New York.

PURPOSE: The Daughters of St. Paul whose general aim is the sanctification of their members through the threefold simple vows have dedicated themselves to the specific mission of THE APOSTOLATE OF THE CATHOLIC PRESS in order to convey the message of Jesus Christ by making use of the PRESS. . .SCREEN . . and RADIO. The Sisters publish books, newspapers, magazines etc. . . printing the above, i.e., doing the typographical and binding work themselves, and diffusing this material by founding travelling libraries and bookstores, and by direct distribution.

QUALIFICATIONS:

- * Young girls, 14 to 23, who desire to serve God through the medium of the PRESS. . .MOVIES. . .and RADIO. . . are urged to apply.
- *The work embraces limitless fields for development.
- *The talents and capabilities of each member are given full play in the most varied and interesting initiatives for the glory of God and the salvation of souls.

For further information please write to:

Rev. Mother Superior 141 West Rayen Ave., Youngstown, Ohio; Rev. Mother Superior, Daughters of St. Paul, Old Lake Shore Rd., Derby, New York.



MANTELLATE SISTERS, SERVANTS OF MARY Blue Island, Illinois

HISTORY: The Congregation of Mantellate Sisters, Servants of Mary trace their origin back to the ancient Italian city of Pistoia, where they were founded in 1861. In 1916, responding to an appeal of the Servite Fathers of Chicago, Illinois, they established a Motherhouse and Novitiate in Blue Island, Illinois. Following the Rule and Constitutions established by St. Juliana Falconieri, the Foundress of the "Mantellate Sisters" in 1285, the Mantellate Sisters, Servants of Mary have spread throughout Italy, and have diffused themselves in the mission fields of Swaziland, South America, and in the United States. Here they are engaged in teaching and social work in the Archidocese of Chicago and the Dioceses of Fort Wayne, Joliet, and Rockford.

PURPOSE: Besides aiming at selfsanctification through the observance of the three vows, the Con-

gregation has the beautiful and holy mission of compassionating and spreading devotion to the sorrows of Mary. Co-operating in the salvation of souls is done primarily through works of charity, the care and education of children in boarding and parochial schools, day nurseries, social, and catechetical work.

QUALIFICATIONS:

- * Candidates are received between the ages of 15 and 30.
- *Admission of those over thirty is left to the judgment of the Superior General.

HABIT: The Mantellate Sisters wear a black habit and scapular in honor of the sorrows of Mary; a white close-fitting wimple, a black veil, and a rosary of the seven dolors complete the religious garb.

For further information please write to:

Convent of Our Mother of Sorrows, 13811 South Western Ave., Blue Island, Illinois.

SISTERS OF DIVINE PROVIDENCE

HISTORY: The Sisters of Divine Providence were founded in 1851 by the noted social reformer, William Emmanuel von Ketteler, Bishop of Mainz. The co-Foundress was Amelia de la Roche, a French noblewoman, a convert to the faith, who made her novitiate under the Sisters of Divine Providence, Ribauville, Alsace. In 1876, the first Sisters were sent to America where they established a mission at Dungannon, Ohio, and a second in Pittsburgh where, a few years later, a Motherhouse was begun. The Congregation now numbers over four hundred Sisters who exercise their apostolate in the dioceses of Pittsburgh, Altoona, Erie, Greensburg, and Wheeling, and in the Archdioceses of Boston and Detroit. They likewise have missions in Puerto Rico.

PURPOSE: The primary purpose of the Congregation is the sanctification of the individual members by the observance of the evangelical counsels and the holy rules. The se-

condary purpose is active charity exercised in the teaching of youth and the nursing of the sick.

QUALIFICATIONS: Applicants must:

- *be at least 15
- *have a true, supernatural vocation
- *have completed two years of high school.

A preparatory school is conducted for girls who have finished the eighth grade and wish to enter religion.

Postulancy extends from six months to a year; the novitiate lasts two years.

HABIT: The habit is black, with a short cape and veil and a white linen guimpe. A large rosary is attached to the cincture and a small crucifix is worn on the breast.

For further information please write to:

Reverend Mother M. Tharsilla, C.D.P., Provincial, Providence Heights, Allison Park, Pennsylvania; Rev. Mother Provincial, C.D.P., Mount Providence, Normandy 21, Missouri.



SISTERS OF THE DIVINE PROVIDENCE Melbourne, Kentucky

HISTORY: The Congregation of the Sisters of Divine Providence was founded in France in 1762 by the Venerable Jean Martin Moye, a secular priest of the diocese of Metz. In 1889, the American Province was established at the request of The Most Reverend Camillus Paul Maes, Bishop of Covington, Kentucky. From this small foundation at Mount St. Martin, Newport, Kentucky, the Sisters, drew recruits from American girls. Aided by additional numbers from the Motherhouse in France, they opened academies and assumed charge of parish schools and charitable institutions in Kentucky, Ohio. West Virginia, New York, Rhode Island, and Maryland. Schools for negro children were opened in Kentucky in 1943 and hospitals were later opened in the Kentucky mountain region. The Congregation has been formally approved by the Holy See.

PURPOSE: The purpose of the Congregation is the salvation of souls through works of charity, especially the education of youth preferably in rural districts. Besides teaching from kindergarten to university levels, there are the duties of nursing, the care of infants, orphans, the aged, and other manifold domestic and administrative tasks incidental to every educational or charitable establishment.

QUALIFICATIONS:

*The age limit is from 14 to 30.

*Besides the general requirements made by the Church for entrance into a religious congregation, the ordinary qualifications are; an upright intention, readiness to obey, and good physical and mental health.

*Expense is never an obstacle in the way of a worthy vocation.

HABIT: The habit consists of a black serge dress and cape, a round guimpe, headband and coronet—all of white domestic, a black veil, a rosary, crucifix, silver ring, and a black mantle.

For further information please write to:

Rev. Mother Provincial, St. Ann Convent, Melbourne, Kentucky.

SISTERS OF DIVINE PROVIDENCE OF SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS

HISTORY: In looking for guidance in the fulfillment of their vocations young ladies may be interested in the Congregation of the Sisters of Divine Providence, founded by Venerable John Martin Move, who with the assistance of Mademoiselle Marguerite LeComte, opened the first school at Vigy, France, in 1762. After the French Revolution, the novitiate was transferred from Hommarting to St. Jean de Bassel in Lorraine. In 1866, two Sisters of Divine Providence from Lorraine accompanied Bishop Claude Dubuis to Austin, Texas, which was their first foundation in the state, but Divine Providence guided them to Castroville. The first permanent school opened there October, 1868. July, 1895, saw the removal of the Mother House from Castroville to the present home in San Antonio. In 1912, final approval was given the Congregation in Texas by Pope Pius X.



PURPOSE: For the greater glory of God, the Sisters devote themselves to the work of personal sanctification and the salvation of souls. In addition to the educational work, ranging from nursery school through college graduate level, the Congregation is dedicated to the care of the sick.

OUALIFICATIONS:

* An applicant must be of good character, docile, and de-

sirous of perfection.

*She must be inclined toward the works of the Congregation—the education of children and young ladies and the care of the sick; or she must be willing to do the household work necessary to carry on these works.

* Candidates must be at least 15 and not over 30 years of

HABIT: The habit is of black serge. The above photograph pictures from left to right a novice and professed Sister.

For further information please write to:

Rev. Mother Mary Angelique, C.D.P., Our Lady of the Lake Convent, San Antonio 7, Texas; Rev. Mother Superior, St. Andrew's Convent, San Antonio 7, Texas.



DOMINICAN NUNS OF THE SECOND ORDER OF PERPETUAL ADORATION (Strictly Cloistered)

HISTORY: The Dominican Nuns of the Second Order of Perpetual Adoration trace their origin directly to St. Dominic through the Monastery of the Blessed Sacrament at Oullins, near Lyons, France, which descends directly from the first Dominican Monastery established by St. Dominic himself, at Pruille, France in 1206. St. Dominic after founding his Cloistered Daughters, established their enclosure and Rules, which to-day are still observed unchanged. In 1880, upon the invitation of Bishop Corrigan of Newark, New Jersey, a colony of Sisters left the Monastery at Oullins. and with Mother Mary of Jesus as Prioress, founded the first foundation in the United States. Although bound by severe austerities, as rising at midnight etc., the Community grew and prospered. To-

day 11 Dominican Monasteries, scattered throughout the United States, give perpetual praise to Our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament.

PURPOSE: The Dominican Nuns of the Second Order, who have the privilege of Perpetual Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, live a strictly cloistered life of prayer, penance, and sacrifice. The Monasteries support themselves by the ancient old art of Illumination viz., the decoration of ornamental colored letters or figures, and the embroidering of the finest ecclesiastical vestments in gold and silk.

QUALIFICATIONS: Young girls are accepted into this Community who:

- *are not over 30
- *come from an honorable family
- *have at least a high school education
- *are not impeded by family obligations
- *have some knowledge of Latin (although desirable it is not obligatory, as it may be studied in the Novitiate).

HABIT: The habit is a creamy white woolen tunic, caught in by a leather belt; a white scapular; and black veil for Professed Choir Nuns. A black Cope is worn when receiving Holy Communion and for other solemn occasions.

See page 339 for address of nearest Community.

DOMINICAN SISTERS OF THE PERPETUAL ROSARY (Cloistered)

HISTORY: The cloistered life of the Dominican Sisters of the Perpetual Rosary is a true and complete living of the Blessed Virgin's request at Fatima—a life of prayer, penance, and consecration to her Immaculate Heart. Founded by Father Damien Marie Sainourens, O.P., at Calais, France, in 1880, the Order soon spread to the United States. In the Dominican Sisters, this saintly priest has presented to the Church a Community of Nuns from whose pure lips ascend to heaven, night and day without intermission, the prayers of the Rosary. As their name implies, the Sisters treasure the perpetual recitation of the Rosary as their special birthright and heritage.

PURPOSE: An integral part of the Sister's prayer life is the solemn chanting of the Divine Office in choir. In addition to this, the focal point in the life of the Sister is her

Hour of Guard, when she personally, day or night, prays her Rosary in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament. Besides additional prayers of a private nature, and besides penances and sacrifices, the Sister rounds out her day in various occupations. These include: embroidering, painting, making Church vestments and banners, spiritual bouquets, typing and filing, making rosaries, altar breads and fancy sewing.

QUALIFICATIONS: The Sisters welcome to their life of dedication to Christ and souls any girl who has:

*good health, sound mind, and a stable character *the spirit of prayer, generosity, and a love of solitude. Prospective members are received after the age of 16. Postulants or beginners undergo a period of probation before receiving the habit.

HABIT: The habit of the Sisters is the traditional white tunic of the Dominican Order; a black veil, a full-length white wool scapular, and an ample black cape complete the garb.

See page 339 for address of nearest Community.



CONGREGATION OF THE SISTERS OF THE THIRD ORDER OF ST. DOMINIC OF SPRINGFIELD IN ILLINOIS

HISTORY: From the convent of St. Catherine of Siena, Springfield, Kentucky, six Sisters were sent in 1873 to begin an Illinois foundation at the invitation of Bishop Baltes. who wanted a Dominican motherhouse and novitiate in his diocese. Thus, through the goodness of God, the Dominicans of Springfield came into being. Through His continued goodness, the little community of six has grown into a Pontifical Congregation of four hundred sixty religious, with about fifty novices and postulants. The work of the Sisters takes them into the Archdioceses of Chicago, Denver, and Detroit, and the Dioceses of Amarillo, Belleville, Duluth, Joliet, Little Rock, Natchez, Peoria, Rockford, San Diego, Springfield in Illinois, and Winona.

PURPOSE: The purpose of the Sisters is to glorify God, sanctify themselves, and bring Christ to others. They teach school, nurse in hospitals, care for orphans and the aged, supervise recreation centers, do domestic work, act as sacristans, and prepare children in rural neighborhoods to receive the Sacraments.

QUALIFICATIONS:

* The only indispensable requirements are good health, good will, and a desire to serve God in religion.

* Candidates who can afford to do so, provide their clothing during their novitiate and bring a small dowry.

* The age for admission is ordinarily between sixteen and thirty.

HABIT: The Sisters wear the white and black of St. Dominic, symbolic of innocence and penance.

For further information please write to:

Mother Mary Imelda, O.P., Sacred Heart Convent, Springfield, Illinois.

DOMINICAN SISTERS OF THE SICK POOR

HISTORY: The Dominican Sisters of the Sick Poor were founded in New York City in 1879 by Mother Mary Walsh to provide an urgently needed free service for the sick poor in their own homes. Formal recognition by diocesan authorities was received in 1910 when the institute also became affiliated with the Dominican Order. The early days of the Community were marked by trials, misunderstandings, and utter poverty. Through it all Mother Mary, who died in 1922, and her first companions clung to their ideal of service to the poor upheld by the belief that if their work was from God it would ultimately prosper. Two of the clergy contributed particularly to the final approval and future stability of the Community, Father Peter O'Callaghan of the Paulist Fathers and the Dominican, Father John T. McNicholas, later Archbishop of Cincinnati.



PURPOSE: The Sisters offer a professional, free, home nursing service to the sick poor. In cases of necessity they assist with the housework, child care, and the relief of economic needs caused by illness, but always in conjunction with sickness in the family. The Community has no hospitals or other institutions.

QUALIFICATIONS:

* Age --- 16 to 30.

* At least average intelligence and common sense.

* Applicants must present a recommendation of their character and certificates of baptism, confirmation, and parents' marriage.

* High School students are strongly advised to finish their schooling.

HABIT: The habit is Dominican, with its white tunic, scapular and black mantle; a leather girdle with a fifteen decade rosary is also worn.

For further information please write to:

Reverend Mother General, St. Joseph's Convent, 170 East 210th Street, New York 67, N.Y.; Queen of the Rosary on the Hudson, Box 231, Ossining, New York.



CONGREGATION OF SAINT DOROTHY

HISTORY: The Congregation of St. Dorothy was founded by Poala Frassinetti in 1834. The first foundation was made at Quinto. Other Convents were soon opened in Genoa, Rome, Naples, and Bologna. In 1866 horizons broadened, missions fields beckoned; Brazil and Portugal welcomed the Dorotheans. Seven years after the Foundress' death, in 1889, the Rule and Constitutions were definitely approved by the Holy See. The Dorotheans were exiled from Portugal in 1910, when Religious Congregations were suppressed. Belgium, England, Italy, Spain, and Switzerland received them. It was during this persecution that Cardinal Farley, Archbishop of New York, and Bishop Harkins of Providence invited the Sisters of St. Dorothy to their dioceses in the United States. The Congregation is now established on four continents and its 2,000 members work zealously in 75 convents of St. Dorothy.

PURPOSE: Though the principle object of the Congregation is the moral and religious education of girls in boarding or day schools, or in orphanages, the Dorotheans gladly accept other apostolic works. Holding retreats for young ladies, conducting altar societies, giving catechetical instructions, visiting prisons, organizing pious sodalities, and forming Catholic Action groups, are a few examples of the works undertaken by the Sisters.

QUALIFICATIONS:

* An applicant must be between the ages of 16 and 30.

*To a right intention must be joined a combination of physical, intellectual, and moral qualities which will fit her for the teaching profession.

*Good common sense and a sense of humor are two essentials necessary for a happy and successful religious life.

HABIT: The Sisters of St. Dorothy wear an attractive habit which consists of a one piece black serge dress, a black serge cape, a white bonnet, and a black veil. A five decade rosary, with a crucifix attached, hangs at the left side giving the habit a religious completeness.

For further information please write to:

Rev. Mother Superior, 1200 Hylan Blvd., Grasmere, Staten Island, New York.

SISTERS OF SAINT ELIZABETH

HISTORY: The Sisters of St. Elizabeth, a Community of Sisters, were founded in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, in 1931, by the Most Rev. Benno Aichinger, O.F.M.Cap., with authority received from his Eminence Samuel Cardinal Stritch, while Archbishop of Milwaukee. The Sisters follow the Rule of the Third Order Regular of St. Francis of Assisi given and approved by His Holiness, Pope Pius XI, on October 4, 1927.

PURPOSE: Founded for God's greater glory by the sanctification of its members as its principal end; its secondary end is the spiritual and corporal welfare of their neighbor through the exercise of the Works of Mercy involved in caring for crippled, blind, and invalid women, and the care of houses where retreats are conducted. The work fills a crying need in these times of housing problems, disrupted family life, its atheistic advocates of euthanasia and insecurity, when chronic invalids, young and old, have no place in the homes of relatives.



QUALIFICATIONS: Young girls;

*who prove themselves to have a real vocation to the religious life

*who enter for religious motives and show the requisite qualities, may be accepted.

Older women;

*who have passed the usual age limit and

*who still give promise of becoming good religious, are encouraged and urged to apply.

HABIT: The Sisters wear a light brown habit, with a black veil, white cord, and a brown rosary.

For further information please write to:

Rev. Mother Superior, St. Elizabeth Convent, 107 East Reservoir Avenue, Milwaukee 12, Wisconsin.



THE BERNARDINE SISTERS O.S.F.

HISTORY: The first foundation of the Bernardine Sisters in the United States was made in 1894, by Mother Veronica and her four companions, who had come from Europe where the Community was in existence since the fifteenth century. This small group, after the usual hardships and struggles accompanying the beginnings of any great work of God, has grown into a Community of 900 Sisters reaching out across the length and breadth of the United States, and south of the Equator to far-off Brazil. The Community has at present three provinces with headquarters at Philadelphia, Scranton and Camaqua, Brazil. Motherhouse and central novitiate is located at Mount Alvernia, Reading, Pennsylvania. There is but one class of Sisters: all pronounce the same vows and share the same spiritual advantages.

PURPOSE: The general object of the Congregation is the glory of God and the sanctification of its mem-

bers through the faithful observance of the three vows of religion and the Rule of the Third Order of St. Francis. The special object is to bring Christ to others by performing works of mercy; teaching in grade and high schools, nursing in hospitals, taking care of orphans, the poor and aged, and social service.

QUALIFICATIONS:

- * Healthy young girls under 30, possessing a pliant will, a good character and normal intelligence, a spirit of obedience and sacrifice, and desirous of offering their lives to God are admitted.
- * Eighth grade graduates are accepted into the Juvenate where they receive high school and religious training.
- *High school or college is desirable, however, it is not essential because there is work for everyone.

HABIT: The Bernardine Sisters wear a dark-brown habit, scapular and mantle; a white coif, band and collar, a black veil, a cincture to which a Franciscan crown is attached, a crucifix and a ring complete the religious vesture.

For further information please write to:

Rev. Mother General, Bernardine Sisters O.S.F., Mount Alvernia, Reading, Pennsylvania.

FELICIAN SISTERS O.S.F.

HISTORY: The Felician Sisters, who were founded by Mother Sophia Truszkowski in 1855, trace their origin to Warsaw, Poland, where the Foundress rented a few garret rooms in which she established a sanctuary for the poor and destitute of the City. Here Mother Sophia founded a religious community under the rule of the Third Order of St. Francis. The Congregation which spread rapidly, extended its activities to our own United States in 1874, when a band of five Sisters arrived in Polonia, Wisconsin. Today the Community totals more than 3,600 members scattered throughout nine provinces, six of which are located in the United States.

PURPOSE: The aim is twofold: first, the glory of God and sanctification of its members through the observance of the three vows of religion; secondly, the salvation of souls through the education of youth in elementary and secondary



schools, and charitable works in orphanages, hospitals, and homes for the aged.

QUALIFICATIONS:

- *Eighth grade graduates, who are accepted, are admitted into the Juvenate where they receive their high school education.
- *Candidates to the postulancy generally enter after completion of high school or college.
- * Upon entrance the applicant provides her own clothing and a small dowry.

For further information please write to the Rev. Mother Provincial at the nearest Provincial Residence of the Felician Sisters listed below:

Connecticut—Province of Our Lady of Angels, P.O. Box 64, Enfield, Connecticut; Illinois—Mother of Good Counsel Province, 3800 Peterson Ave., Chicago 45, Illinois; Michigan—Province of the Presentation B.V.M., 36800 Schoolcraft Rd., Plymouth, Michigan; New Jersey—Province of the Immaculate Conception, S. Main St., Lodi, New Jersey; New York—Province of the Immaculate Heart of Mary, 600 Doat St., Villa Maria 11, Buffalo, New York; Pennsylvania—Province of Our Lady of the Sacred Heart, R. D. 4, Box 85, Coraopolis, Pennsylvania.



FRANCISCAN NUNS OF THE MOST BLESSED SACRAMENT Cloistered

HISTORY: The Order of the Franciscan Nuns of the Most Blessed Sacrament was founded in France about a century ago. The founder, Father John Baptist Heurlant, O.F.M.Cap., recognizing the unique strength of perpetual adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament, formed this Community in Paris, in 1854. The Motherhouse is in Troyes, France. The nuns came to Cleveland, Ohio, in 1921, at the invitation of the late Archbishop Joseph Schrembs.

PURPOSE: In their monastery at St. Paul Shrine, they pray day and night for the Church, for priests, for sinners, and for the world at large. Not only prayer of petition forms part of their schedule, but reparation and thanksgiving and of course, always adoration. The focus of it all is the Most Blessed Sacrament, always exposed on the Exposition throne. The time not given to prayer is devoted to spiritual

reading, study, art, typing, the baking of altar breads—all duties being performed in the spirit of adoration. The religious take solemn vows in the strict sense of the term, have papal enclosure, and chant the Divine Office. Extern Sisters, who are not cloistered, handle the secular business of the monastery.

QUALIFICATIONS: The requisites for admission are:

- *an attraction for the Most Blessed Sacrament
- *ability to fulfill the obligations of religious life
- *a good reputation
- *age: 17-30.

HABIT: The habit is dark brown. A Franciscan rosary is suspended from the white woolen cord, and a gilded miniature monstrance is worn below the guimpe.

For further information please write to:

Rev. Mother Superior, Franciscan Nuns of the Most Blessed Sacrament, 4108 Euclid Avenue, Cleveland 3, Ohio.

FRANCISCAN SISTERS OF THE ATONEMENT

HISTORY: On December 15, 1899, Mother Lurana Mary Francis, then an Episcopalian nun, made the foundation of the Congregation of the Sisters of the Atonement at Graymoor, Garrison, New York. It was her purpose to establish in the Protestant Episcopal Church, a body of religious women dedicated to the high ideal of Poverty as exemplified in the life of St. Francis of Assisi. Ten years later, 1909, the little Franciscan Community was received corporately into the Catholic Church. Since that date, the growth of the Society has been remarkable. By September, 1918, the first band of missionary Sisters of the Atonement set out from Graymoor. Other foundations followed in rapid succession. The Papal Decree of Final Approbation of the Constitutions was received in 1946. The Congregation now numbers 300 Sisters, staffing 53 Missions, 41 of which are in the U.S., 7 in Canada, 3 in Italy, 1 in Ireland, and 1 in Wales.

PURPOSE: The Sanctification of its members by the observance of the three simple vows. The special aim is missionary work both at home and in foreign mission fields, either by offering prayers or by teaching Christian Doctrine among the poor, and among baptized and non-baptized non-Catholics. The works of the Institute include: settlement houses, kindergartens, day nurseries, Colored missions, homes for the aged, clinics, summer camps, and orphanages.

QUALIFICATIONS: The Aspirant must:

*be between 17 and 30

*have good health and a sound mind and be free from all financial obligations

*present a letter of reference from her pastor and the usual Canonical requirements.

No large dowry is required.

HABIT: The Sisters habit and scapular are grey-brown; a white cord, a crucifix, and a silver ring complete the religious garb. For further information please write to:

Rev. Mother General, S.A., St. Francis Convent, Graymoor, Garrison, New York.



FRANCISCAN SISTERS OF BALTIMORE

HISTORY: The missionary Franciscan Sisters of Baltimore, laboring chiefly for the American Negro, forms the American Province of the Community whose Motherhouse, St. Mary's Abbey, in Mill Hill, London, England, was established in 1868 by Mother Mary Frances, an Anglican nun convert. In 1881. in response to the request of the late Cardinal Gibbons for Sisters to work among the colored people of the South, four Sisters, zealous for the salvation of souls, and filled with the humble spirit of their Seraphic Father, set sail for America. The missionary urge that promoted this undertaking has since extended far beyond Maryland. Today the Community has missions in Virginia, North Carolina, New York, and Alabama.

PURPOSE: The primary purpose of this Community is the personal sanctification of its members through the observance of the Evan-

gelical Counsels; its secondary purpose, the sanctification of others through its various works, including teaching in schools, caring for orphans, giving religious instruction, and visiting the poor and the sick.

QUALIFICATIONS: One seeking admission in this Community must:

- *possess the desire to form Christ not only in herself but in others
- *present the usual certificates and recommendations
- *be between 16 and 30 (dispensations may be granted)
- * have at least a high school education.

HABIT: The religious garb of the Sisters consists of a black habit with scapular, a white kerchief and head band, a black veil with white lining, and a white cord with the Franciscan Crown Rosary.

For further information please write to:

The Reverend Mother Provincial, Franciscan Convent, 3725 Ellerslie Avenue, Baltimore 18, Maryland.

FRANCISCAN SISTERS OF BLESSED KUNEGUNDA Chicago, Illinois

HISTORY: This Congregation came into existence in the United States, in the city of Chicago, Illinois, in 1894. Under the leadership of its Foundress, Mother Mary Theresa Dudzik and the co-Foundress, Mother Mary Anna Wisinski, the little community of three has now grown to 400 members conducting 19 elementary schools, I high school for girls, a school of nursing, I social center, 3 catechetical centers, 5 homes for the aged, 2 general hospitals, 2 day nurseries, a free dispensary for the poor, a home for working girls and a bookkeeping and domestic department at Father Flanagan's Boys' Home. The Congregation, which is represented in the Archdioceses of Chicago and Omaha, and in the Dioceses of Altoona, Belleville, Cleveland, Fort Wayne, Rapid City, Sioux Falls, and Youngstown, received final approbation from the Holy See on July 4, 1939.



PURPOSE: The general end of the Congregation of the Franciscan Sisters of Blessed Kunegunda is the sanctification of its members by the observance of three simple vows of Obedience, Chastity, and Poverty, of the Rule of the Third Order of St. Francis of Assisi, and by performing the good works mentioned above. Following a two-year novitiate, Sisters make profession for one year, renewing it annually for five years, after which, perpetual vows are taken.

QUALIFICATIONS: The following are admitted as aspirants:

*Eighth grade graduates who are received are required to provide only \$150 for the entire four year high school course, which includes every-thing except personal clothing, transportation, and other small incidentals.

*High school graduates, over 16, are admitted twice a year, Feb. 2 and July 2. They are required to provide their own clothing, and a small dowry during postulancy.

HABIT: The Professed wear a brown woolen habit, with a white guimpe, coif, brow band, cornet, cord, black veil, crucifix, and a Franciscan crown Rosary.

For further information please write to:

Rev. Mother General, 2649 No. Hamlin Avenue, Chicago 47, Illinois.



THE FRANCISCAN SISTERS OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY OF THE ANGELS

HISTORY: The Franciscan Sisters of the Blessed Virgin Mary of the Angels were founded in Germany, in 1863, by Mother Mary Rosa Flesch. The first convent which she built. St. Mary's, near Waldbreitbach, Germany, was destined to give shelter to the sick, orphans, and the abandoned poor. This little convent became the Motherhouse of about 100 daughter-houses in Germany, Holland, and the United States, and the spiritual home of about 1300 Sisters who strive for perfection under the Rule of the Third Order Regular of St. Francis. The Congregation which received Papal approbation in 1913, established their first foundation in the United States, in 1923. Here we find them working in the Archdiocese of St. Paul, and the Diocese of La Crosse, Wisconsin, where they conduct hospitals, homes for the aged, as well as other works of charity.

PURPOSE: The purpose of the Congregation is to help spread the Kingdom of God here on earth, by doing works of charity. Primarily the Sisters are engaged in nursing the sick, especially in hospital work. Social work of different kinds, business and domestic work wherever it is necessary to support nursing or education are included in the Sisters' charitable activities.

QUALIFICATIONS:

*The most necessary requirement for joining this Community is a true religious spirit, i.e., the earnest desire to follow Christ in Poverty, Chastity, and Obedience, and to serve Him in the sick, the children, the poor, and the aged.

*This desire, combined with health of body and mind, with courage, generosity, and good will, is sufficient to enter as a postulant.

*The matter of dowry and novitiate expenses is determined by personal circumstances.

HABIT: The Sisters wear a brown habit, a white cincture with three knots, a black veil and white guimpe, and the Rosary of the Seven Joys; after Final Vows they are invested with a perpetual cross and a blessed ring.

For further information please write to:

Mother Superior, St. Mary's Home, 1925 Norfolk Avenue, St. Paul 2, Minnesota.

FRANCISCAN SISTERS OF CHRISTIAN CHARITY

HISTORY: The Congregation of Franciscan Sisters of Christian Charity is an American foundation. In 1866, Rev. Joseph Fessler felt it imperative to begin a parish school for the many immigrants settling around St. Nazianz, Wisconsin. A local girl, Teresa Gramlich (later Mother Gabriel), offered her services and was soon joined by three other girls. After a year of teaching they decided to live together and, under the guidance of Father Fessler, formed a religious congregation dedicated to the ideals of St. Francis. The Motherhouse was established in the city of Manitowoc, Wisconsin. There the Sisters made their first vows in 1869. Three years later the present site, outside the city, was selected by Mother Odelia. The Community now numbers nearly 1000 members.

PURPOSE: The aim of the Congregation is the glory of God and the salvation of souls through work in

the parish schools of the United States and Hawaii, in hospitals, boarding schools for the underprivileged, homes for the aged, Indian missions, and a conservatory of music.

QUALIFICATIONS:

*Aspirants: eighth grade completed.

*Postulants: 16 to 30 years of age. At least three years of high-school completed. Opportunities are offered to girls not desiring further schooling.

*Health: A sound mind in a sound body.

*Motive: To fulfill the command: Love God and your neighbor.

HABIT: The Sisters wear a black habit, scapular and veil; a white collar, coif and wimple; and a Franciscan cincture from which hangs a large black rosary.

For further information please write to:

The Mother General, Holy Family Convent, Manitowoc, Route 1, Wisconsin.



FRANCISCAN SISTERS, DAUGHTERS OF THE SACRED HEARTS OF JESUS AND MARY Wheaton, Illinois

HISTORY: The Congregation of Franciscan Sisters, Daughters of the Sacred Hearts of Jesus and Mary, was founded in Westphalia, Germany, in 1859, by Mother Mary Clara Pfaender. It was approved by the Bishop of that diocese in 1860 and follows the Rule of the Third Order of St. Francis of Assisi and Constitutions which are approved by the Holy See. The members of the Congregation take the simple vows of Poverty, Chastity, and Obedience. The Congregation numbers approximately 2,500 members in four provinces, located in Germany, Holland, France, and the United States. The St. Clara Province, which is that of the United States, has 432 members. In 1872 the Sisters arrived in the United States and settled in St. Louis. where they established their Provincial Motherhouse, and Novitiate,

which were later transferred to Wheaton, Illinois, in July of 1947.

PURPOSE: The Congregation was founded to promote the personal sanctification of the individual members through a common life of prayer and works of mercy. The Sisters care for the sick in hospitals and, to some extent, in private homes and teach in the fields of nursing education, in parish schools, and in orphanages. They also conduct homes for orphans and for working girls.

QUALIFICATIONS:

*There is no definite age limit.

*There are no fixed educational requirements, although high school and higher education are desirable and helpful.

*If an applicant is morally, mentally, and physically suited to the religious life, a lack of education or of funds is never a hindrance to her entrance into the Congregation.

HABIT: The Franciscan garb consists of a brown habit, a white cord with three knots, a black scapular and veil; a white head covering, a plain crucifix under her scapular, the Franciscan Crown Rosary, and a plain ring complete the vesture of the Perpetually Professed.

For further information please write to:

Vocational Director, Franciscan Sisters—Motherhouse, P. O. Box 166, Wheaton, Illinois.

THE FRANCISCAN SISTERS OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION Little Falls, Minnesota

HISTORY: The Franciscan Sisters of the Immaculate Conception, who follow the Rule of the Third Order of St. Francis, were founded by Mother Mary Ignatius Hayes. Encouraged by the Holy Father, she established a mission in 1876, among the Indians and poor French Canadians of Belle Prairie, Minnesota. In 1889, while Mother Mary Ignatius was in Rome, the mission was destroved by fire. All efforts to communicate with the Foundress proved futile, for she had succumbed to a serious illness. Through the instrumentality of the Most Reverend Otto Zardetti, first bishop of the newly organized Diocese of St. Cloud, the little band of stranded Sisters were, by a special papal decree, placed under diocesan jurisdiction and began their new foundation at Little Falls.



PURPOSE: To work out their own

sanctification, and to help bring about the salvation of others, the Sisters combine the active with the contemplative life. Their wide range of activities includes domestic work, nursing, teaching, catechizing, and caring for the aged and orphans.

QUALIFICATIONS:

*An aspirant must not be under 14 nor over 30.

*She must present health, baptismal, and Confirmation certificates, and a letter of recommendation from her pastor or spiritual director.

*There are no educational requirements other than the

willingness to study and imitate Christ.

HABIT: The Sisters wear a brown woolen habit and scapular, a white knotted cord, a seven-decade rosary, known as the Franciscan Crown, a black veil, a crucifix, and a silver band ring.

For further information please write to:

The Mother General, Saint Francis Convent, Little Falls, Minnesota.



FRANCISCAN SISTERS OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION Rock Island, Illinois

HISTORY: The Congregation of the Franciscan Sisters of the Immaculate Conception was established in Rock Island, Illinois, in 1901. In 1902, the Community opened St. Francis Hospital, Kewanee, and in 1934 they were invited to staff the Government Hospital in Keshena, Wisconsin, in the Green Bay Diocese. During the next few years the Sisters added modern nursing schools which are fully accredited to both St. Anthony's Hospital, Rock Island, and St. Francis Hospital, Kewanee.

PURPOSE: The Franciscan Sisters of the Immaculate Conception have as their primary end the service of God and the sanctification of their souls by the observance of the Evangelical Counsels. Their secondary purpose is to care for the sick, the aged, underprivileged children; to train nurses in schools of nursing education. Those who wish to teach

will be prepared for this work and given the opportunity to do so. QUALIFICATIONS:

* Postulants are admitted from the ages of 16 to 30.

*They must furnish evidence of mental and physical fitness for the religious life.

*Educational requirements are not specified since each applicant will receive individual consideration.

*No definite dowry is demanded, but each postulant is expected to contribute toward the expense of her wardrobe and novitiate training according to her means.

*After six month's postulancy and a two year novitiate, simple vows are taken for three years, and then forever.

For further information please write to:

Rev. Mother General, 767 Thirtieth St., Rock Island, Illinois.

FRANCISCAN SISTERS OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION AND ST. JOSEPH FOR THE DYING

HISTORY: The Franciscans Sisters of the Immaculate Conception and St. Joseph for the Dying originally came from Rome, where their Motherhouse was until World War One, when the Community had to leave the Eternal City. One band came to the United States and settled on the West Coast. They conduct schools in Washington and in California where their Motherhouse is now located.

PURPOSE: The purpose of this Order is the personal sanctification of its members and the salvation of the DYING SINNERS. The Sisters are engaged in instructing pupils in parochial schools, conducting catechetical centers, orphanages, and old people's homes.

QUALIFICATIONS: Young girls are accepted who have the following qualifications:

*Age-17-30.

*They must be in good health.

*They should be inspired by the right motives to serve God in Poverty, Chastity, and Obedience.

* High school education, while not essential for entrance is highly desirable in an applicant.

HABIT: The Sisters wear a brown habit with a white cord. The head dress consists of a white coif and front piece, a white lining under the veil, and a white guimpe. The mantle and veil are black. A crucifix and Franciscan rosary complete the religious habit.

For further information please write to:

Rev. Mother Superior, St. Joseph's Convent, Monterey, California.





FRANCISCAN SISTERS OF MARY IMMACULATE

HISTORY: Missionaries were needed in Ecuador, in South America. The good Bishop desperately needed Sisters to train the neglected children of his diocese in the truths of their religion. He went to Europe and asked everywhere, finally coming to the convent of Mary, Our Help, in Switzerland. The Mother Superior asked her Sisters for volunteers. Seven answered the Bishop's call, and arrived in Ecuador in 1888. Revolution threatened there, and the Sisters fled to nearby Colombia. God blessed their work. They founded many schools in Colombia, and spread northward into Central America. In 1932, they were invited by the Bishop of Amarillo, Texas, into his diocese. In the United States, the Sisters are now working in Texas, New Mexico, and California.

PURPOSE: After the primary aim, which is the sanctification of its members, the purpose of the congregation is teaching. It has schools

in large centers, and in mission places, an orphanage, and several clinics. Some striking mission work is done among the primitive Indians of South America.

QUALIFICATIONS: All good Christian girls are welcomed into this Congregation who are:

*not over 30 (although exceptions will be made)

* of ordinary good health

*filled with the desire to give their lives to God in the person of His little ones.

HABIT: The Sisters wear a dark brown habit, with a white guimpe, a white Franciscan cord, and a black veil. At the time of her final profession the Sister receives a gold ring.

For further information please write to:

Rev. Mother Superior, Franciscan Sisters of Mary Immaculate, Box 989, Amarillo, Texas.

FRANCISCAN SISTERS OF OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP

HISTORY: The Community of the Franciscan Sisters of Our Lady of Perpetual Help was founded on May 29, 1901, by Mother M. Solana Leczna, Mother M. Ernestine Matz, and Mother M. Hilaria Matz in St. Louis, Missouri. Prior to the foundation, and unknown to one another, each had prayed to Our Lady of Perpetual Help for guidance. Thus, Our Lady exerted a profound influence over the little group even before it bore any semblance to a distinct community. The infant sisterhood was organized with the ecclesiastical sanction of Archbishop J. Kain of St. Louis. With the help of the Reverend Urban Stanowski, the three religious assumed the direction of St. Stanislaus School in the same city. Today the Institute is active east and west of the Mississippi River.

PURPOSE: The Sisters sanctify themselves by the practice of the vows of Poverty, Chastity, and Obedi-

ence according to their Rule. They conduct grade and high schools. Their activities include work among the Negroes and Indians. Sewing, cooking, and sacristy work are available for those not attracted to teaching or nursing.

QUALIFICATIONS: The prospective candidate should:

- *be between 15-30
- *possess normal health and good character
- *enter either the 2nd of August or 2nd of February.

HABIT: The Sisters wear a brown Franciscan habit with a matching scapular. A Franciscan rosary hangs at the side from a white cincture. A crucifix is suspended below the white collar. A black veil over a white coif completes the garb.

For further information please write to:

Reverend Mother, 3419 Gasconade Street, St. Louis 18, Missouri.



FRANCISCAN SISTERS OF THE SACRED HEART Joliet, Illinois

HISTORY: In 1866, a group of young women was organized in Germany by the Rev. William Berger to care for children, the sick, and the aged. Thus was formed the Congregation known as the Franciscan Sisters of the Sacred Heart. The Kulturkampf in 1876 forced the growing Community to sacrifice its field of labor; and in the same year, the Franciscan Sisters under the leadership of Mother M. Anastasia Bischler arrived in the United States and established their Motherhouse in Indiana, which was later transferred to Joliet. The Community conducts hospitals, schools, and homes for the aged in the Archdiocese of Chicago, Los Angeles, and San Francisco, and in the Dioceses of Fort Wayne, Joliet, Peoria, Rockford and Springfield, Illinois.

PURPOSE: The Sisters desire to accomplish in their lives the two-fold purpose of the Incarnation,

the honor and glory of God and the salvation of souls. By the observance of the simple vows of Poverty, Chastity, and Obedience and in unselfish, wholehearted service to their neighbor in need, the Sisters sanctify their own souls.

QUALIFICATIONS: Young ladies between the ages of 16 and 30 are accepted as members who:

*wish to devote their lives to the education of youth or to the care of suffering humanity

* have good characters.

Candidates provide the necessary clothing and a small dowry, if possible.

A doctor's health certificate is also required.

For further information please write to:

Rev. Mother General, 372 North Broadway, Joliet, Illinois.

FRANCISCAN SISTERS OF SAINT JOSEPH Hamburg, New York

HISTORY: The Community of the Franciscan Sisters of St. Joseph was founded in 1897 in Trenton, New Jersey, by the Very Rev. Hyacinth Fudzinsky, O.F.M. Con., and Sister M. Colette Hilbert. Originally, Sister M. Colette was a religious of the Community of the Charity Sisters of St. Charles Borromeo with headquarters in Poland. Sister M. Colette together with four other Charity Sisters of St. Charles Borromeo labored in the United States from 1889 till 1897, when the Mother General in Poland decided to abandon all foreign missions in preference to filling adequately the needs of the ever-growing home missions. Pleas and persuasions of the United States clergy and laity forced Sister M. Colette to make a decision which eventually gave birth to the present Community. Today, after fifty years, over 500 Sisters, stationed mostly in the



Eastern States, teach and work in thirty-three schools, three homes for the aged, one hospital, and in one mission for the colored.

PURPOSE: The Franciscan Sisters of St. Joseph, bound for life by simple vows of Poverty, Chastity, and Obedience, carry on the work of Christ on earth through a life built on contemplation and on an active apostolate. They teach in elementary and high schools, minister to the sick in hospitals, take care of the aged, and labor among the colored in home missions.

OUALIFICATIONS:

*Aspirants may enter the Juniorate at Immaculata Academy, Hamburg, New York, after graduating from grammar school. While in the Juniorate, they provide their own clothing and defray certain expenses.

*Candidates between 14 and 30 may be received as postulants.

HABIT: A pleated black habit is worn both by the novices and Professed Sisters. The novice is distinguished by her white veil. Once she becomes a Professed Franciscan, she wears a black veil over the white one.

For further information please write to:

Rev. Mother M. Innocent, Immaculate Conception Convent, South Park Avenue, Hamburg, New York.



THE HOSPITAL SISTERS OF THE THIRD ORDER OF ST. FRANCIS Springfield, Illinois

HISTORY: The Hospital Sisters of the Third Order of St. Francis. founded by Reverend Christopher Behrensmeyer, O.F.M., at the Shrine of Our Lady of Sorrows at Telgte in Europe, came to this country in 1875 and established their American Provincial Motherhouse in Springfield, Illinois. They became active in several states. In 1925, the Sisters opened missions in China, and in 1948, extended their activity to Himeji and Nagasaki, Japan. Already they have established their Japanese novitiate and welcomed their first class of eight in 1951. Their life combines the contemplative and active phases. At the Motherhouse, the Sisters have Perpetual Adoration. In all of their convents, they foster devotion to Our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament and chant the Little Office of the Blessed Virgin daily.

PURPOSE: Although their principal work is carried on in hospitals, the Sisters also conduct home nursing centers from which missionaries visit the sick and poor in homes; teach catechism, health, and liturgical music; care for children, unwed mothers, and the aged; and respond to war and emergency calls for nursing services.

QUALIFICATIONS: Any girl may be accepted if she:

- *is between 16-34 (exceptions are made)
- *desires to consecrate herself to God in the service of the sick
- *has good health, the intelligence to learn what is necessary for a good religious
- *presents the recommendation of her pastor.

Younger girls may study their vocation while attending St. Francis Preparatory School for Franciscan Life.

HABIT: The Sisters wear a black mantle, habit, veil, and scapular, a white cord with three knots to symbolize their vows of Obedience, Chastity, and Poverty, and a long brown wooden rosary. Sisters active in hospitals and home nursing units wear an all-white habit.

For further information please write to:

Reverend Mother Provincial, P. O. Box 42, Springfield, Illinois.

THE LITTLE FRANCISCANS OF MARY

HISTORY: The Little Franciscans of Mary founded in Worcester, Massachusetts, in 1889 was erected as a diocesan Congregation in 1892, by the R.R. Monsignor L. N. Begin, who was then Bishop of Chicoutimi. The Constitutions of the Institute are based on the Rule of the Third Order Regular of St. Francis Assisi. The Congregation has progressed rapidly from its humble beginnings; it numbers today a personnel of around seven hundred Sisters and possesses thirty Convents, five of which are in the United States; one in Massachusetts and four in Maine. The Mother house and Novitiate were later transferred to Canada where they are now located.

PURPOSE: In general the purpose of the Congregation is the sanctification of its members through the observance of the three simple vows. Specifically the Little Franciscans of Mary are engaged in all the works of mercy; they conduct

and begnitals in Canada

schools, orphanages, homes for the aged, and hospitals, in Canada and in the United States.

QUALIFICATIONS:

- * Young girls who have the requisite qualities for Nursing and Teaching are trained according to their ability and talents.
- *Secretarial work and household duties offer ample opportunity for the zeal and piety of the Sisters who are not called to the life of a teacher or nurse.
- *No work is unimportant—what really matters is the purity of intention, which gives every task value and merit before God.

HABIT: The habit consists of a brown tunic and scapular, a white hood and wimple, and a white woolen cord; the Professed Sisters wear a silver crucifix.

For further information please write to:

Very Rev. Mother General, Motherhouse of the Little Franciscans, Baie St. Paul (Charleviox) P.Q., Canada.



SCHOOL SISTERS OF ST. FRANCIS Milwaukee, Wisconsin

HISTORY: The Congregation of the School Sisters of St. Francis of Milwaukee, Wisconsin, was founded in Campbellsport, Wisconsin, in 1874 by Mother M. Alexia, who with Mother M. Alfons and Sister M. Clara, preferred to leave her homeland rather than remain in Germany as a secular. Their small Franciscan community, which cared for orphans and neglected children, was dissolved at the time of the May Laws. The novitiate consists of a year devoted to the study and practise of the Franciscan way of life, followed by another year of study and training in the works of the Congregation. After profession the Sisters continue their religious and professional training until they are prepared for the work assigned to them.

PURPOSE: The new American Congregation, whose first aim is personal sanctification and the second the education of youth and the care

of the sick, flourished and spread. It now numbers 2268 Professed Sisters working in 165 grammar schools, 28 high schools, one liberal arts college, two general hospitals, two sanitariums, and a home for the aged and infirm Sisters.

QUALIFICATIONS:

- *Healthy young girls desirous of becoming Sisters are admitted who are:
 - *under 30
 - * of good character and normal intelligence.
- *Eighth grade graduates who desire to enter this Congregation attend high school during the time of their aspirancy.
- *High school graduates continue their studies at Alverno College.
- *At Alverno College and at the Sacred Heart School of Nursing the Sisters are trained for their professions.

For further information please write to:

Mother Superior, St. Joseph Convent, 1501 S. Layton Boulevard, Milwaukee 15, Wisconsin.

SCHOOL SISTERS OF ST. FRANCIS OF Chillicothe, Missouri

HISTORY: The School Sisters of St. Francis of Chillicothe, Missouri, had their origin in a manner similar to many other Franciscan families. A zealous priest, Reverend Sebastian Schwarz of Voecklabruck, Austria, directed a group of pious young women to the need of the moment, the care of pre-school children who were exposed to the dangers of the street. A Community formed, grew, and spread to other dioceses and other lands, taking up additional educational and charitable works, covering all the works of mercy. The Congregation in the United States is active in Missouri and Iowa. Papal approval was granted in 1928.

PURPOSE: The purpose of the congregation is the glorification of God through the personal sanctification of its members, and through educational and charitable works. The Sisters are engaged in schools,

hospitals, various activities for the relief of the needy and infirm, and the necessary domestic work of their institutions.

QUALIFICATIONS: The usual entrance age is 18-30, but exceptions are made when there is a true vocation. Girls of high school age are received as aspirants. The main requirements for postulants are:

- * sufficient health
- * genuine piety
- *upright character.

HABIT: The habit, in traditional black and white with white Franciscan cord, is made of serge for winter wear, and of light-weight material for summer.

For further information please write to:

Rev. Mother Provincial, St. Joseph Convent, Chillicothe, Missouri.



SCHOOL SISTERS OF SAINT FRANCIS OF CHRIST THE KING Lemont, Illinois

HISTORY: The Congregation of the School Sisters of Saint Francis of Christ the King was founded in 1864, as the result of a deathbed request of Bishop Anthony Slomsek of Marburg. Through the support of his successor, Bishop Jacob Stepnichar, and the Society of Catholic Women, a girls' academy was established. The Congregation grew and spread through four continents of which one is North America. The first members came to America in 1909, to Saint John's School, Kansas City. In a short time, there were teachers in Illinois, Ohio, Pennsylvania, and Wisconsin. Due to the present persecution in Yugoslavia. the motherhouse at present is in Rome. The American province has its headquarters at Lemont, Illinois.

PURPOSE: The twofold aim of the Sisters of Saint Francis is: the glory of God, and personal sanctification

by the observance of the simply vows of Poverty, Chastity, and obedience; the education of youth in elementary and secondary schools, and the direction of homes for the orphans and aged.

QUALIFICATIONS: Young girls are admitted into this Congregation who have:

* the right intention

*a desire for self-sanctification

* an attraction to community life

*freedom from binding obligations in the world and the possession of a cheerful and gentle disposition.
Applicants are accepted between the ages of 15 and 30.

HABIT: The religious dress consists of a black habit, white cord, a rosary of the Seven Joys of the Blessed Virgin, face linens and corona with a guimpe, and a black veil. The Sisters wear a mantle when outdoors.

For further information please write to:

Mother Provincial, Mount Assisi Convent, Lemont, Illinois.

SCHOOL SISTERS OF SAINT FRANCIS

HISTORY: In 1723, Mother Mary Hyacintha, the Foundress, known in the world as Theresa Trinbacher, and a few other noble-minded women living according to the Rule of the Third Order of St. Francis, were organized specifically for the purpose of teaching and educating the girls of the poor salt miners at Hallein, Salzburg, Austria. Loyally the little Community attended to their duties, when, in 1845, the Austrian Empress Carolina Augusta invited three Sisters to Vienna to open a boarding school for the daughters of imperial soldiers. Within a few decades School Sisters from the Motherhouse in Vienna established missions throughout the Archdiocese. Since their first foundation in the United States, in 1931, the Community has expanded and established houses in the Archdiocese of Dubuque, and in the dioceses of Youngstown, Rochester, and Trenton.



PURPOSE: The chief purpose of the

Congregation is the greater glory of God and the sanctification of its members. The activities include teaching, and guidance of youth in schools, kindergartens, and day nurseries. Other similar activities may be added at the bishop's request.

QUALIFICATIONS:

*As a rule, healthy girls from 16 to 30 years of age, who feel the religious call, are accepted.

*Applicants need not have completed their high school course, nor be strictly inclined for a teaching career, since they can be employed otherwise.

HABIT: The Sisters wear a black habit, scapular, and veil. Headband, coif, collar, and girdle are white. On the girdle the Sisters wear a rosary of the Seven Joys of Mary. Except for a white veil, the same religious garb is worn by the novices.

For further information please write to:

Mother Superior, Glenmary Convent, 1501 Glenwood Avenue, Youngstown 2, Ohio.



SCHOOL SISTERS OF THE III ORDER OF ST. FRANCIS

HISTORY: The Congregation of the School Sisters of the III Order of St. Francis was founded in 1842 by the Most Reverend Roman Sebastian Zaengerle, Prince Bishop of Seckau. in Gratz, Austria. After some years six Sisters left the Austrian Mother house through the instrumentality of Countess Louise Stadion, a close relative of Emperor Francis Joseph. for the purpose of furthering Christian Education in Czecho-Slovakia. There, with the generous support of the Countess, they erected a Motherhouse in 1888. The feast of Our Lady's Assumption, 1913, marked the establishment of the Community of St. Gabriel's Convent, North Side. Pittsburgh. The Provincial Motherhouse, erected in 1928, is located at Mount Assisi Academy, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

PURPOSE: The general aim of the Congregation is the promotion of God's glory and the personal sancti-

fication of its members; the special aim, the Christian Education of Youth. Since education of youth is the special aim of the Community, the Sisters engage chiefly in teaching. However, according to her talents and ability, a School Sister of St. Francis may be assigned to teaching school (elementary or secondary), performing catechetical work in mission parishes, domestic duties in mission homes, sanctuary work, or choir direction.

QUALIFICATIONS: An applicant must have:

*completed her 15th year

- *a right intention to spend her life with God in the service of others
- *a willing heart and docile mind

*normal health, cheerful disposition

- *freedom from binding obligations in the world
- *average ability to meet the requirements of some form of Community Service.

HABIT: The habit and veil are black. Suspended at the left from a black cincture, which girds the waist, is the seven-decade Franciscan Rosary. At the right, three knots symbolic of the three vows are tied on the cincture.

For further information please write to:

The Reverend Mother Provincial, Mount Assisi Academy, 934 Forest Avenue, Pittsburgh 2, Pennsylvania.

SISTERS OF ST. FRANCIS

HISTORY: The Sisters of St. Francis of the Mission of the Immaculate Virgin, Conventuals of the Third Order, owe their existence as an order to Bishop Neumann of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. While on a visit to Rome, the Bishop communicated to the Holy Father, Pope Pius IX, his desire, to introduce into his diocese an order of Sisters, to care for the poor, sick, and aged. His Holiness, being a Franciscan, advised him to train daughters of the Seraphic St. Francis for this purpose. Regarding the Holy Father's advice as the declared Will of God, the Bishop began on April 9, 1855, to organize the first Franciscan Sisterhood of America. To this end, he sent for some Fathers of the Order, called Conventuals, to train these Sisters in the spirit of their holy founder.

PURPOSE: The purpose is the exercise of Christian charity towards the sick, especially such as are destitute, and the Christian edu-

cation of children. The Sisters are engaged in nursing in hospitals, teaching in parochial schools and academies, and caring for homeless and destitute children.

OUALIFICATIONS:

- *Age 17 to 29 years.
- *Good reputation, good health, letters of recommendation from pastor and confessor.
- * Baptismal and Confirmation certificates.
- * Parents' Marriage Certificate.
- * Physical Examination in one of our hospitals.
- * Transcript of school work and the necessary clothing.

HABIT: Black serge habit, black veil with white lining, white coif, white head band, white guimpe, and white cord.

For further information please write to:

Reverend Mother, St. Clare Academy, Hastings-on-Hudson, 6. New York.



SISTERS OF SAINT FRANCIS Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

HISTORY: The Sisters of Saint Francis were founded in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania in 1922. The Congregation traces its descent directly, through the Communities in Millvale, Pennsylvania, and Buffalo, New York, from the mother foundation in Philadelphia, founded in 1855 by the holy Redemptorist bishop, Ven. John Nepomucene Neuman. Under the leadership of Mother M. Chrysostom of the Sisters of St. Francis of Millvale, (1868), the young Community branched out, building a motherhouse on Mount Providence in Whitehall Borough. The Sisters, who conduct 17 elementary schools, 4 high schools, 4 mission centers, one hospital in the States, and 4 schools and a Novitiate in Sao Paulo. Brazil, need more Sisters for the different fields of work.

PURPOSE: The general purpose of the Sisters of St. Francis is the sanctification of its members through the faithful observance of the

simple vows of Poverty, Chastity, and Obedience, and of the Rule and Constitutions. The special purpose is the instruction and education of youth and the care of the infirm.

QUALIFICATIONS:

* Candidates are received between the ages of 17-30.

*Each must provide a doctor's health certificate.

* Young ladies with different talents and abilities are needed; for little ones wait for the Sisters to teach them—the sick long for the Sisters to take care of them—and South America pleads for more Missionaries.

For further information please write to:

Rev. Mother General, St. Francis Convent, Mt. Providence, R.D., 10, Pittsburgh 27, Pennsylvania.

SISTERS OF ST. FRANCIS Nevada, Missouri

HISTORY: The Community of Franciscans at Nevada, Missouri, was founded in 1893 by Mother M. John, from St. Ottilia's Convent, Appenzell, Switzerland. Owing to civil unrest in Switzerland during the years preceding 1890, the existence of religious houses was threatened. To provide a place of refuge for her Community in the event of confiscation of St. Ottilia's, Mother Ottilia sent five nuns to America. This band of pioneers utilized a University building in Nevada, Missouri, as a boarding school for children of modest means and for orphans. In 1910, a convent and novitiate wing was added. Fire took everything in 1915. Undaunted, the Sisters started anew, and by July, 1917, the present Chapel, convent, and school were in operation.

PURPOSE: The Community unites the contemplative and active life. Daily adoration is maintained at the Motherhouse. To this is added

the care and education of children in orphanages, as well as in grade and high schools, where a wide variety of professions and talents can be dedicated.

QUALIFICATIONS: Any Catholic young lady, 15-30, may be accepted as an aspirant who has:

* good will, good health

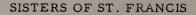
*a sincere desire for personal sanctification

*a high school diploma; although a high school education is desired it is not absolutely necessary.

HABIT: The Sisters wear a brown habit and scapular, a white cord, a white coif, a black veil, and rosary. Perpetually Professed members wear a black mantle and a gold ring.

For further information please write to:

Reverend Mother Superior, St. Francis Convent, Nevada, Missouri.





The Sisters of St. HISTORY: Francis, Oldenburg, Indiana, were founded at Oldenburg on January 6, 1851, by Mother Teresa Hackelmaier, a Franciscan religious from Vienna, Austria, and the Reverend Francis Joseph Rudolf, pastor of Oldenburg and the surrounding districts from 1844. Mother Teresa came in response to an urgent plea, addressed to the Franciscan convents in Europe by Father Rudolf, himself a volunteer missionary from Alsace, to found an American Congregation of Franciscan teaching Sisters. The Congregation, which now numbers 863 members, conducts 95 schools with an enrollment of 841,000 pupils. The Sisters of St. Francis are now represented in Indiana, Ohio, Illinois, Missouri, Kentucky, New Mexico, and Montana.

PURPOSE: The general end of the Congregation is the glory of God and the sanctification and perfection of its members by the observance of the three simple vows of Poverty,

Chastity, and Obedience. The special end is the sanctification of others by works of charity, among which the Christian education of youth holds the first place.

QUALIFICATIONS:

*Applicants must be young Catholic women of good repute, between 16 and 26 years of age.

*They must be in good health, possessed with average intelligence, docile of disposition, and have a sincere desire to dedicate their lives to the service of God and their fellowmen.

HABIT: The habit of the Sisters is of black wool, with a scapular of the same material, a white cord-girdle with three knots signifying the three vows, a guimpe, browband, and a black veil. On the girdle is a fifteen decade rosary, and on the breast a crucifix.

For further information please write to:

Rev. Mother General, Convent of the Immaculate Conception, Oldenburg, Indiana.

SISTERS OF ST. FRANCIS

HISTORY: Almost a century ago, the Venerable John N. Neumann, C.SS.R., Bishop of Philadelphia, founded this Congregation of the Sisters of St. Francis. While faced with gigantic problems, Venerable Bishop Neumann determined to make a visit to Rome for the Declaration of the Dogma of the Immaculate Conception, and for the occasion of gaining Sisters for his diocese. How God chose to answer his fervent prayers makes the delightful and inspiring history of the foundation of this Community. While the saintly Bishop was still in the Eternal City, an unexpected message came from one of his priests confiding to him the fact, that there were in Philadelphia three young women who had expressed their desire to dedicate their lives to God, in the service of the poor. When His Holiness Pope Pius IX was consulted, he ordered Bishop Neumann to establish a new community in his diocese, and to



give the members the Rule of St. Francis. Thus it was that Mother Francis and her two companions began in Philadelphia, in 1855, the work of this Community which now numbers close to fifteen hundred members.

PURPOSE: From such humble beginnings, the work has spread to many parts of the United States, and includes posts in Ireland and in Puerto Rico. Each year new groups, clothed in the simple dignified habit of the Order and patterned in heart and mind on the joyous, generous spirit of St. Francis, devote themselves to the needs of God's children everywhere. As a result, their work is varied. Schools, hospitals, homes for children, homes for the aged, and catechetical centers, are all numbered among their services. The Colored and the Indian share their care.

OUALIFICATIONS:

*Any young woman desirous of so dedicating her life to God is urged to seek counsel of her Spiritual Director and upon his advice to make application.

For further information please write to:

Reverend Mother General, Our Lady of Angels Convent, Glen Riddle, Pennsylvania.



SISTERS OF ST. FRANCIS OF RICE LAKE

HISTORY: The Congregation of Sisters of the Third Order of St. Francis, a branch of the Order of St. Francis, was founded in 1907 in Chicago. Providence guided them to various parts of the country: to Carlsbad, New Mexico, and to Canada before leading them to Rice Lake, Wisconsin, where they were requested to come in 1916, to take over an existing hospital. Since that time, the Sisters have established their Motherhouse and Novitiate there, erected a new modern hospital and opened a Home for the Aged. The Sisters have the privilege of visiting and bringing spiritual and temporal aid to the poor and sick in their homes. The Community is still small but its work has increased steadily. Today they work not only in the Diocese of Superior but also in the Archdiocese of Chicago and the Diocese of LaCrosse.

PURPOSE: The general purpose of

the Community is the sanctification of the Sisters by the observance of the Rule of the Third Order of St. Francis approved by Ecclesiastical authority and by living in Obedience, in Chastity and in Poverty; and the sanctification of others through this work in the service of God. Love of God and love of souls are their foundation stones. The special purpose is the care of the sick in hospitals and of the aged in houses which offer them a refuge, also the care of orphans and working girls.

QUALIFICATIONS:

*There is no definite age limit.

*A dowry of \$50.00 is requested, but a candidate who cannot furnish that amount may be received without it if she is otherwise worthy.

*Clothing is provided.

*Candidates are required to bring a health certificate.

HABIT: The Sisters wear a brown habit, black veil, crucifix, and a white cincture, from which is suspended the Franciscan Crown Rosary. The Sisters engaged in the active works of the Community wear a white habit while on duty.

For further information please write to:

Rev. Mother M. Alphonse, O.S.F., St. Francis Convent, 22 East Douglas Street, Rice Lake, Wisconsin.

SISTERS OF ST. FRANCIS Tiffin, Ohio

HISTORY: For many years the Reverend Joseph L. Bihn, pastor of St. Joseph's Parish, Tiffin, Ohio, had been cherishing the hope of founding a home for the many children left destitute as a result of the Civil War. In 1867, he purchased some land and told his parishioners of his intention to found a home for orphans, asking that one of the families assist him in his work. A widow, Mrs. Elizabeth Schaeffer, offered him the services of her family, and she and her two daughters formed the nucleus of the new Community of Franciscan Sisters, which Father Bihn was authorized to establish. Their Motherhouse, surrounded by acres of land, is located on a beautiful site immediately outside the city limits.

PURPOSE: From the very beginning the founders of the Community did not restrict the work of the Sisters to the caring of orphans, but encouraged and arranged for the conducting of Catholic schools, hospitals, and

homes for the aged—activities which demand the services of teachers, nurses, and domestic workers.

QUALIFICATIONS: Girls of good character may apply for admittance who:

*are between 14 and 30

*have a docile disposition

*show signs of a true vocation from supernatural motives. No secondary education is required—but those who so desire may attend St. Francis High School for Aspirants.

HABIT: The Sisters wear a habit and scapular of brown serge, a black veil, and a white cord with three knots to symbolize the vows of Poverty, Chastity, and Obedience that they profess.

For further information please write to:

The Reverend Mother Superior, St. Francis Convent, St. Francis Avenue, Tiffin, Ohio.



SISTERS OF ST. FRANCIS OF BAY SETTLEMENT Green Bay, Wisconsin

HISTORY: The influx of emigrants to eastern Wisconsin in the middle of the last century brought pioneering problems which the Very Rev. Edward Daems O.S.C., pioneer missionary, met with religious zeal and administrative ability. He took the initial step in establishing the Franciscan Sisters of the Third Order Secular in 1874, when he was Vicar General and Administrator of the new Green Bay diocese. Three of the first four members who formed the nucleus of this Community were young ladies of Holy Cross parish at Bay Settlement. The Congregation became a member of the Sisters of the Third Order Regular of St. Francis in March, 1881, by the official approbation of His Excellency, The Right Rev. F. X. Krautbauer. In 1905, the Sisters of St. Francis of Bay Settlement were affiliated with the Franciscan Order in Rome.

PURPOSE: As in pioneer days, the members of this Community serve to provide for the welfare of souls in less privileged areas. In addition to conducting schools, the Sisters of St. Francis of Bay Settlement operate a home for the aged and a home for crippled children.

QUALIFICATIONS:

*Applicants may enter in their fifteenth year, but they must have completed their sixteenth year at the time of their reception as a novice.

*The postulancy lasts six months; the Novitiate extends over

a period of two years.

HABIT: The habit is of plaited black serge with a white Franciscan cord, scapular, white collar, and black rosary. The Sisters wear a soft black veil, with a white band and headdress. A black mantle is also worn during inclement weather.

For further information please write to:

Rev. Mother Superior, St. Francis Convent, Green Bay (Bay Settlement), Wisconsin.

SISTERS OF ST. FRANCIS OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION Buffalo, New York

HISTORY: Not quite one hundred years ago there lived in the South of Germany a pious priest the Rev. Faustin Mennel. While kneeling before the Tabernacle in his Church praying, his mind's eye beheld the great and common need of many of his faithful children. In the kindness of his heart he feared for their souls and suffered because of it. While occupied in meditation he sought means which he felt would end this sad condition. He begged and prayed long. Then when arising from prayer a decision was made; he would be the founder of a religious institution whose members would make it their principal task to give the feminine youth a good religious education and prepare them for later positions in society.

PURPOSE: The Sisters of St. Francis who take the three simple vows, practice a special devotion to the

pure Heart of Mary. The Sisters devote themselves to their charges in children's homes, public schools, normal schools for the preparation of teachers, commercial and home economic schools, and where the need requires, the Sisters also care for the sick in hospitals and nursing homes.

QUALIFICATIONS:

- *A sincere piety, simplicity, open unchanging character, and a sunny disposition.
- *She should be intelligent and capable for the work.
- *She must have good health, and belong to a Catholic unreproachable family.

HABIT: The Sisters of St. Francis of the Immaculate Conception wear a black habit and scapular, with a white cord, a white folded wimple, and a black veil.

For further information please write to:

Rev. Mother Provincial, Franciscan Sisters, 291 W. North St., Buffalo 1, New York.



SISTERS OF ST. FRANCIS OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

HISTORY: The Congregation of the Sisters of St. Francis of the Immaculate Conception was founded by Mother M. Pacifica Forrestal in 1888 at Palmyra, Missouri, under the direction of the Franciscan Fathers of the Sacred Heart Province. with the consent of the Most Reverend Archbishops Hennessey and Kendrick. In 1890, the late Most Reverend J. L. Spalding, D.D., invited the Sisters to take charge of the Peoria Diocesan Orphanage then located at Metamora, Illinois. The Congregation was formally organized and its Constitutions were approved by His Excellency August 27, 1895. For several years thereafter, Archbishop Spalding personally directed this Congregation.

PURPOSE: The general purpose of this Congregation is the personal sanctification of its members through the observance of the simple vows of Poverty, Chastity, and Obedience, and the Constitutions approved

for the Sisters of the Third Order of St. Francis. The special and secondary aim is the education of youth, the care of the orphans and the aged, and the maintenance of homes for working girls.

QUALIFICAT IONS: Young women are admitted into this Congregation who:

*are between 16 and 30

*have a right intention, good character, health, and normal intelligence

*are free from all legal and parental obligations. Eighth grade graduates who are accepted will be trained at the School for Aspirants located in Peoria, Ill. Postulancy—1 year; Novitiate—2 years; after 5 years Perpetual Vows are taken.

HABIT: The professed Sisters of this Congregation wear a black serge habit with a scapular of the same material, a white woolen cincture to which the Franciscan Crown is attached; a white muslin coif, a black veil, and a white linen guimpe.

For further information please write to:

Rev. Mother Superior, Immaculate Conception Convent, 500 Heading Avenue, Peoria 5, Illinois.

SISTERS OF ST. FRANCIS OF THE IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY Hankinson, North Dakota

HISTORY: The Sisters of the Third Order of St. Francis, whose American Provincial Motherhouse is at Hankinson, North Dakota, enjoy the unique distinction of being probably the oldest of the Franciscan Sisterhoods of the Third Order existing today. As early as 1241, only fifteen years after the death of St. Francis, the first convent of this sisterhood. the General Motherhouse, was founded at Dillingen on the Danube in the diocese of Augsburg, Germany. Authentic records date the founding from Count Hartmann IV von Dilligen and his son Hartmann V; the latter was afterwards made bishop of Augsburg (1250-1286). Until 1843 there was only one convent at Dillingen. Today the Congregation consists of more than two thousand members who devote their lives to spiritual and corporal works of mercy in schools, hospitals, orphanages, kindergartens, institu-



tions for the feebleminded and deaf-mutes in Germany. Since its first foundation in the United States, 1913, the Congregation has established 18 branch houses.

PURPOSE: The Sisters conduct grade schools, high schools, hospitals, homes for the aged, kindergartens, etc. The designing of church vestments and a well cared-for extensive farm, owned and managed by the Sisters, also provides for the material necessities.

QUALIFICATIONS: The opportunity of sharing in their Christ-like work is open to every young woman who:

- *is between 14 and 30
- *desires to dedicate her life to God
- *possesses good health, fine moral character, and sufficient intelligence.

Postulancy is 6 months; novitiate one year. Perpetual Vows are made after three years of temporary vows.

HABIT: The Sisters of St. Francis of this Congregation wear a black habit and scapular, a white cord, and a rosary. The head dress consists of a coif and a black veil; Professed Sisters wear a mission cross on the front of the scapular, and a gold ring on the right hand.

For further information please write to:

Rev. Mother Provincial, St. Francis Convent, Hankinson, North Dakota.



SISTERS OF ST. FRANCIS OF MARY IMMACULATE

HISTORY: The Congregation of the Third Order of St. Francis of Mary Immaculate was formally established on August 2, 1865. On that date the pioneer group of four Sisters received the approval and blessing of Holy Mother Church through the Most Reverend James Duggan, Bishop of Chicago. That same day Mother Mary Alfred, who later became Mother Mary Angela, was appointed the first superior and the first postulant. Under the direction of the saintly Friar, the Very Reverend Pamifilo da Magliano, the newly-founded Community was affiliated with the Franciscan Order in 1867. Since then more than a thousand candidates have joined the ranks of the Sisters, and the work of the Community has spread to six States.

PURPOSE: The main work of the Sisters of St. Francis is teaching in elementary and high schools, private day and boarding schools,

vacation schools, catechetical centers, and in college. The Sisters also conduct Institutions for Orphans and mentally retarded girls. They are also engaged in social work. In addition they are employed as cooks, bakers, nurses, librarians, sacristans, secretaries, and in general office work.

QUALIFICATIONS: Any young girl, between 16 and 27 possessing the following requirements may be received:

*good health-sound mind and good character

*a desire to glorify God—sanctify herself and work for the salvation of others.

Once accepted by the Superior, she may be assured that she has a vocation.

Girls of high school age are trained and educated at St. Francis Preparatory School in Joliet.

For further information please write to:

Rev. Mother Superior, St. Francis Convent, 520 Plainfield Ave., Joliet, Illinois.

SISTERS OF ST. FRANCIS OF THE MARTYR ST. GEORGE St. Louis, Missouri

HISTORY: The above named Congregation branched off from the Sisters of St. Vincent de Paul, Strasbourg, Bas Rhin, France, through political controversy and war. A daughter-house in northern Germany became the Motherhouse of the Sisters of St. Francis through the influence and counsel, of the Most Rev. Bishop of Osnabrueck in 1869. The little mustard seed was growing fast, members well trained for teaching and nursing established convents and institutions. During the Kulturkampf-missions were founded in the Netherlands. In 1912, the Community became a pontifical Congregation. In 1921, the first mission Sisters were sent to Japan; the little pioneer band is now flourishing beyond expectation. In 1923, five Sisters sailed to the United States. Because of wars and political conditions in their homeland, this little band was hampered in



their activities, but the Sisters are determined to make a success with God's help, if only courageous American girls will put their shoulders to the wheel.

PURPOSE: The general end of the Congregation is the greater glory of God and the sanctification of its members through the observance of the three simple vows of Poverty, Chastity, and Obedience, the Rule of St. Francis, and the Constitutions. The special end of the Congregation is the Christian education of youth, the care of the sick in hospitals, and homes for the aged. Convents and institutions are located in Europe, North America, Japan, Indonesia, and India; number of members 2000.

QUALIFICATIONS:

*Age 16-30.

*Good health, good mind, good heart, and good will.

HABIT: The Sisters wear a black habit with scapular, white collar, white veil, covered with a black veil for Professed Sisters, white cord and the rosary of the seven joys, a 3-inch cross on their breast complete the habit.

For further information please write to:

Sisters of St. Francis, 6825 Natural Bridge Road, St. Louis 20, Missouri.



THE SISTERS OF ST. FRANCIS OF OUR LADY OF LOURDES Sylvania, Ohio

HISTORY: On the feast of the Immaculate Conception, 1916, the Sisters of St. Francis of the Congregation of Our Lady of Lourdes, whose Motherhouse is in Rochester. Minnesota, established a new foundation in the diocese of Toledo. Ohio. The action was taken at the request of the Most Reverend Joseph Schrembs then Bishop of Toledo, to help carry on the service of education and charity especially in the poor and outlying places. The permanent location for the Motherhouse was made in Sylvania, Ohio. in the year 1918. The Congregation numbers 366 Professed Sisters, and is represented in the Archdioceses of Detroit and St. Paul; and in the dioceses of Corpus Christi, Galveston, Grand Island, Steubenville, Toledo, Winona, and Austin.

PURPOSE: The new Congregation in Sylvania, under the able leadership of Mother M. Adelaide, who is

also the present Mother General, grew steadily in membership and its work expanded correspondingly. At present the Sisters, true to the ideal of apostolic labor characteristic of the followers of the Poverello, conduct twenty-five elementary schools, four high schools, nine hospitals, and one Convalescent Home.

QUALIFICATIONS: An applicant to this Congregation must:

*not be more than 30

*possess good health; be free from hereditary mental and physical diseases

*have completed the eighth grade.

The primary purpose of St. Clare Academy in Sylvania is for the education of preparants who have a desire to enter the religious life before the completion of their high-school education.

No dowry is required.

HABIT: The Franciscan Sisters of Sylvania wear a dark brown habit, scapular and cord, a black veil, and small white collar. For further information please write to:

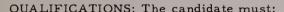
The Field Counselor for Vocations, 6832 Convent Blvd., Sylvania, Ohio.

SISTERS OF ST. FRANCIS OF PENANCE AND CHRISTIAN CHARITY

HISTORY: The Congregation of the Sisters of St. Francis of Penance and Christian Charity was founded in Heythuysen, Holland, on May 10, 1835, by Catherine Daemen, in religion known as Mother Magdalen. From Holland, it has since spread to Germany, Poland, Belgium, Brazil, Indonesia, and the United States. In this country convents and institutions of the Congregation are found from New York to California, and from North Dakota to South Carolina, numbering fifty in all. In 1939, the North American Province was divided into three separate provinces, with Motherhouses at Stella Niagara, New York; Denver, Colorado: Sierra Madre, California.

PURPOSE: The Sisters teach in primary, elementary and high schools, and conduct academies, a liberal arts college, hospitals, orphanages, and Negro and Indian Missions. Deep, living faith in

Divine Providence has been the foundation of these activities, and spiritual strength and inspiration for their continuance are drawn by the Sisters through daily participation in the liturgical life of the Church—in the holy Sacrifice of the Mass, in chanting the Office in Choir, in Meditation, and in prayer.



- *be the offspring of a legitimate marriage
- *have a good reputation, and an agreeable disposition
- *possess a sound mind
- *have good health and a religious vccation
- *not be under 18 nor over 30.

HABIT: The Sisters wear a dark brown wool habit and scapular, a white woolen cord with three knots, head covering of white linens, over which a black veil is worn. They wear a five-decade rosary.

For further information please write to:

Rev. Mother Provincial, Marycrest, 5200 Federal Boulevard, Denver 11, Colorado; Rev. Mother Provincial, Stella Niagara, Stella Niagara, New York; Rev. Mother Provincial, Mount Alverno, 240 Wilson Avenue, Sierra Madre, California.



SISTERS OF SAINT FRANCIS OF PERPETUAL ADORATION

HISTORY: The Congregation of the Sisters of the Third Order of St. Francis of Perpetual Adoration, an American foundation, was established in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, in 1849. The founders were a group of Tertiaries of St. Francis who had emigrated from Bavaria for the purpose of helping the North American mission cause. The Community headquarters were successively transferred to Jefferson, Wisconsin. in 1864, and to La Crosse, Wisconsin, in 1871. Since the latter date, St. Rose Convent, La Crosse, has been the Motherhouse of the sisterhood. After almost a quarter century of extreme hardship, the Congregation finally became stabilized, establishing itself in various forms of charitable and missionary work. In 1878, solemn perpetual adoration of the Blessed Sacrament was introduced.

PURPOSE: The sanctification of its members and the salvation of souls

is the twofold objective of the sisterhood. Its major activities are education on the elementary, secondary, and collegiate levels; the care of orphans, the sick, and the aged; as well as home and foreign mission work.

QUALIFICATIONS: Applicants must have the following qualifications:

- *age-13 to 30
- *a fervent desire to lead a religious life
- * good moral character
- * the necessary health and talents
- *a disposition to perform some work of the Congregation.

HABIT: The Sisters wear a black habit and veil; a white coif, guimpe, and Franciscan cincture; and a gold ring. Perpetually Professed Sisters wear a specially designed Blessed Sacrament medal.

For further information please write to:

Reverend Mother General, St. Rose Convent, La Crosse, Wisconsin.

THE SISTERS OF ST. JOSEPH OF THE THIRD ORDER OF ST. FRANCIS

HISTORY: The Community of the Sisters of St. Joseph of the Third Order of St. Francis was founded in 1901 at Stevens Point, Wisconsin, with the approval and encouragement of the Most Rev. Sebastian Messmer, then bishop of Green Bay. It is a Pontifical Institute approved by the Holy See. Forty-six Sisters under the leadership of Sister Mary Clara and Sister Mary Felicia established a foundation there. Over 1,000 Sisters are now witnesses to the working out of a dream of the Foundresses, whose aim was to serve the needs of parochial demands in the United States. Today the Community conducts and maintains a motherhouse and central novitiate, three provincial homes, one junior college, 11 high schools, 73 elementary schools, catechetical and C.Y.O. schools, a public school, six hospitals, and a school of



nursing. Although the members follow the Rule of the Third Order of St. Francis, they have pledged themselves in a special way to St. Joseph.

PURPOSE: The Rule of the Community is based on the observance of the three simple vows of Poverty, Chastity, and Obedience. The chief aim of the Sisters is the promotion of God's glory and their personal sanctification through the educative role of Nazareth and the welfare role of Assisi.

QUALIFICATIONS:

*Candidates are received between 14 and 30.

*The Community conducts in all provinces a Juniorate for aspirants, who wish to enter immediately after completing their 8th grade; and also a postulancy for high school graduates.

*Postulancy lasts 6 months to a year, the Novitiate 2 years, during which time the candidate provides her

clothing and defrays other expenses.

*Following Novitiate, the Sisters make temporary vows annually for five years, after which they pronounce perpetual vows.

For further information please write to:

Mother Provincial, Our Lady of Czestochowa Province, 12215 Granger Road, Garfield Heights, Ohio; Mother Provincial, St. Joseph Province, St. Joseph Convent, Stevens Point, Wisconsin; Mother Provincial, Immaculate Conception Province, 230 N. Longcommon Road, Riverside, Illinois.



SISTERS OF THE THIRD FRANCISCAN ORDER MINOR CONVENTUALS

HISTORY: The Congregation of the Sisters of the Third Order of St. Francis in the United States was first established in 1855 by the Venerable John Neumann, Bishop of Philadelphia, upon the advice of His Holiness, Pius IX, to invite the daughters of St. Francis as teachers in parochial schools, and as nurses in hospitals. In March, 1860, the Minor Conventuals came to Syracuse from the Philadelphia foundation under the leadership of Mother M. Bernardine, the Foundress and First Mother General. The Order is represented in Newark, Washington, Albany, Camden, Cleveland, Raleigh, Rochester, and Trenton. In Hawaii the Sisters conduct schools, a General Hospital in Honolulu, the Bishop Home for leper women and girls at Molokai, and the Government General Hospital of Molokai for lepers.

PURPOSE: The special end of the Order is the personal sanctification of its members through the observance of their religious vows and the various works of charity viz., elementary and high schools, a Teachers Normal School, hospitals, schools of nursing education, homes for the aged, catechetical centers, and a house of studies affiliated with Catholic University, Washington, D. C.

QUALIFICATIONS: Aspirants, 16 to 30, are received into this Community who:

*have a supernatural objective in view, and the desire to consecrate themselves to God's service and the salvation of others

*are in good health, so as to enable them to perform the duties of the religious life

*have the sufficient intelligence and adaptability for the specific work of the Institute.

HABIT: The Professed Sisters wear a plaited black serge habit, a black veil over a white veil, a white collar, coronette and band, a white cord, a rosary of the seven decades, and a pectoral cross. For further information please write to:

Rev. Mother Superior, Franciscan Motherhouse, 1024 Court St., Syracuse 8, New York.

SISTERS OF THE THIRD ORDER OF ST. FRANCIS OF MARYVILLE

HISTORY: The Sisters of the Third Order of St. Francis of Maryville, Missouri, were founded in 1894, and were organized as a religious body on July 13, 1894. The Community was affiliated with the Franciscan Order, in 1904. In 1931, the Constitutions were approved by the Sacred Congregation of Religious and, on July 4, 1939, the Decree was approved and confirmed by Pope Pius XII. The first hospital opened by the Community was St. Francis Hospital in Maryville, on September 8, 1894. The other hospitals owned and operated by this Community are: St. Anthony Hospital, Oklahoma City, opened in 1898; St. Elizabeth's Hospital, Hannibal, Missouri, opened in 1915, and St. Mary's Hospital, Nebraska City, opened in 1927. The Sisters also conduct the St. Joseph of the Pines Hospital, Southern Pines, North Carolina, and have the care of the children in the Diocesan Orphanages, St. Joseph, Missouri.



PURPOSE: The general aim of the Congregation is the sanctification of the Sisters through the threefold vows according to the Rule of the Third Order of St. Francis. The special aim is the practice of charity toward one's neighbor by the care of the sick in hospitals; by the education of boys and girls, especially orphans, and by the education of girls in college, if necessary.

QUALIFICATIONS:

*All candidates must possess the following qualifications: legitimate birth, good repute, sound and tractable mind and, above all, a vocation to the religious life.

*Those with an internal disease or an external deformity shall not be admitted.

HABIT: The habit is of black serge, with a cape of the same material. The coif and collar are white. The novices wear a white veil, and the Sisters wear a black veil and a small black crucifix.

For further information please write to:

Mother General, Mt. Alverno Convent, Maryville, Missouri.



SISTERS OF THE THIRD ORDER OF ST. FRANCIS Peoria, Illinois

HISTORY: The Sisters of the Third Order of St. Francis were established in Peoria, Illinois on July 16, 1877, under the direction of Bishop John Lancaster Spalding. The six pioneer religious with 23 companions came from Herford, Germany, to this country in 1875. They settled in Dubuque, Iowa and two years later founded St. Francis Hospital in Peoria. Sister Frances Krasse became Superior and the first Reverend Mother of the new Order in the new country. The Community grew rapidly. Within the first twenty years six large hospitals were built in various localities. At present the Order has twelve hospitals in four different states: Illinois, Iowa, Michigan, and South Carolina.

PURPOSE: The Sisters of the Third Order of St. Francis devote their lives to the attainment of their own sanctification and perfection by always seeking the greater glory of

God in the service of the sick, and by ministering to their fellow beings.

QUALIFICATIONS:

*Age: 18-30 (Exceptions are made for extraordinary reasons).

*The applicant must be of good moral character, enjoy

good health, and be of sound mind.

*If her means allow she may bring clothing and a reasonable dowry. The postulants' dresses are furnished by the Community.

*It is desirable, but not necessary, that she be a high

school graduate.

*The six months postulate is followed by a two years Novitiate. After the completion of the Novitiate the Sister pronounces the vows of Poverty, Chastity, and Obedience for three years. This term is followed by a second three year period of temporary vows. The Sister is then admitted to perpetual vows.

For further information please write to:

The Mistress of Novices, Mount Alverno Novitiate, 403 Heading Avenue, Peoria, Illinois.

SISTERS OF THE THIRD ORDER OF ST. FRANCIS, WILLIAMSVILLE, N. Y.

HISTORY: This Sisterhood was founded in Philadelphia in 1855 by Venerable Bishop Neumann, C.SS.R. Returning from a visit to the Holy Father, who had advised him to establish Sisters of the Third Order in his Diocese, the Bishop was petitioned by three women to receive them into that Order. They were Barbara Boll, Marienne Bachmann, and Ann Dorn. Seeing God's providence in their request, the Bishop permitted them to form a Community observing the Rule prescribed by Leo X for members of the Third Order living in convents. In 1861, Bishop Timon invited the Sisters to Buffalo. Connection with the Community in Philadelphia was severed, and the Sisters in Buffalo became a Diocesan Institute having their Motherhouse in Williamsville, New York.

PURPOSE: The purpose of this Community is the sanctification of

the individual members through prayer and charity toward their neighbor. Perpetual Adoration is maintained at the Motherhouse. The Sisters conduct hospitals, homes for the aged and the orphans, grade and high schools, and a college of nursing at Niagara University.

QUALIFICATIONS: The Community receives girls between 16 and 30 who possess:

*sound judgment

* strong will

*affable manners and good health.

As the Community provides the training necessary for its work, no special education is expected of applicants.

The required dowry may be dispensed with if the applicant is in need.

HABIT: The habit is of black serge, simple in style. The Franciscan Seven-Joy Rosary is suspended from a white wool cord. The black veil is lined with white.

For further information please write to:

Rev. Mother Superior, Saint Mary of the Angels, Williamsville 21, New York.



THE SISTERS OF THE THIRD ORDER OF ST. FRANCIS OF THE HOLY FAMILY Dubuque, Iowa

HISTORY: Seventy-three years ago Mother Mary Xavier Termehr, O.S.F., twenty-five Sisters, and four postulants journeyed from Iowa City, Iowa, to where the centuries-old bluffs of the Mississippi sheltered the then young episcopal see of Dubuque. Made poor by the wars of Europe, purified through exile from their native country under Bismarckian "May Laws," strengthened in humility and trust, the Sisters established their Motherhouse in Dubuque, Iowa. With a sympathetic charity, nurtured through suffering, the Sisters began their apostolate in the care of the orphans. Since then, the Congregation which now numbers 800, has accepted as its chief work the privilege from the Church of forming Christ in the lives of youth, through teaching in the parochial schools in Iowa and Illinois. Among these schools is one

for the colored, Corpus Christi, Chicago. Another is Briar Cliff College, Sioux City, Iowa, a four-year, fully accredited liberal arts college for women. In 1931, the Congregation received the privilege of Perpetual Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament Exposed at the Motherhouse.

PURPOSE: The primary purpose of this Congregation of papal rank is that of the personal sanctification of the Sisters through the observance of the Rule of the Third Order of St. Francis. Special aims are: the education of youth in parochial and higher schools; the care of children in orphanages, the conducting of homes for the aged, and of homes for working girls.

QUALIFICATIONS: Young girls 15-30 may be accepted if they:

- * purpose to serve God faithfully
- *possess ordinary intelligence
- *present the required recommendations in regard to physical health.

HABIT: The Sisters wear a simple brown habit and scapular of wool, a crucifix, a white cord, the Franciscan Crown rosary, a black veil, and a ring which symbolizes their eternal espousal with God.

For further information please write to:

Mother General, Mount St. Francis, Dubuque, Iowa.

SISTERS OF THE THIRD ORDER
OF ST. FRANCIS OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION
OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN
MARY, CLINTON, IOWA

HISTORY: This Congregation of Franciscans which originated in the shadow of the Trappist Monastery at Gethsemani, Ky., was founded in 1868, by the Right Rev. Benedict M. Burger, abbot. The Most Rev. Peter J. Lavialle, Bishop of Louisville, sanctioned the foundation whose members, according to the Abbot's plans, should, when established, become Sisters of Our Lady of La Trappe -a branch of the great Cistercian family. However, in 1873, Bishop Lavialle's successor, not favoring a Community of Sisters in connection with the abbey, had the little group move to Shelbyville, Ky. The Sisters became Franciscan Tertairies Regular with the help of the Oldenburg, Ind., Franciscans, and in 1893 took up permanent residence in Clinton, Iowa. The Motherhouse, novitiate,



college, academy, and a home for the aged are located in Clinton. Schools and hospitals are located in the archdiocese of Chicago and Dubuque, and in the dioceses of Covington, Davenport, Des Moines, Peoria, Rockford, St. Joseph, Sioux City, San Diego and Monterey-Fresno.

PURPOSE: Work of the Congregation includes: Christian education of youth in kindergarten, elementary grades, high school, college, and catechetical schools; nursing, and care of the sick and aged in hospitals, and homes for the aged; and the maintenance of homes for working girls.

QUALIFICATIONS: Although exceptions are made in individual cases, ordinarily applicants are required to:

- *be between 16 and 30
- *be a high school graduate
- *have good health, good character, and average intelligence.

HABIT: The habit is of black serge; the coif, brow band, and coronet are white. A fifteen decade rosary hangs from a white cincture. A crucifix is worn on a silver chain around the neck. For further information please write to:

Mother Mary Regis Cleary, Superior General, Mount St. Clare Convent, Clinton, Iowa.



SISTERS OF THE THIRD ORDER
OF ST. FRANCIS OF THE
IMMACULATE VIRGIN
MARY, MOTHER
OF GOD
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

HISTORY: The foundation of the Pittsburgh Franciscans of Mt. Alvernia started in 1865 when, at the plea of the Redemptorist Fathers in Pittsburgh, a group of Sisters left the Buffalo community and established St. Francis Hospital. In 1868, Bishop Domenec of Pittsburgh requested additional Buffalo Sisters for teaching in the schools. The Foundation grew steadily in numbers and multiplied in salutary works. Later, the Holy See set the seal of its supreme approbation on the Congregation. Now, over five hundred Sisters are engaged in thirty schools, three hospitals, a home for aged women, and one for convalescents. Missionary work is done in Puerto Rico. The community maintains an aspirant school for girls of high school age in preparation for the Sisterhood.

PURPOSE: The Congregation purposes generally the sanctification of its members by the observance of the vows and imitation of St. Francis. It purposes especially to instruct youth and care for the sick. The Sisters have direction of parish and private schools, and assist the sick and afflicted.

QUALIFICATIONS: Young applicants are expected to have:

- *normal health
- * solid piety
- *willingness to do what God, through future superiors, wants them to do.

Age limit 16 to 30.

HABIT: A black serge habit with a white cord suspending a rosary, together with a linen coif, headband and collar, and a white veil covered by a black one constitutes the attire.

For further information please write to:

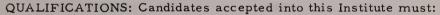
Reverend Mother M. Corinne, O.S.F., St. Francis Convent, Mount Alvernia, Pittsburgh 9, Pennsylvania.

SISTERS OF THE THIRD ORDER REGULAR OF ST. FRANCIS OF OUR LADY OF LOURDES Rochester, Minnesota

HISTORY: In 1876, Mother Alfred Moes and a group of Sisters came to Minnesota from Joliet, Illinois, to establish schools in this territory. The Academy of Our Lady of Lourdes, a school for young women was dedicated in Rochester, December 8, 1877, and when on December 23 of the same year the new Congregation was established, this building became the Motherhouse. The devastating results of a tornado which struck Rochester in 1883 showed the necessity of a hospital, the establishment of which was undertaken by Mother Alfred. This hospital, dedicated in 1889, has developed into the world-wide known St. Mary's Hospital, whose patients are admitted through the Mayo Clinic.

PURPOSE: The general purpose of the Congregation of the Third Order Regular of St. Francis of Our Lady is the sanctification of its members

by the observance of the three simple vows of Poverty, Chastity, and Obedience. The special purpose is the Christian education and training of youth. The Congregation now conducts a liberal arts college, nurses' training schools, parochial grade and high schools, home for the aged, a sanatorium, and three general hospitals.



- *be not more than 30
- *possess good moral character and good health
- *be free from every legitimate impediment
- *have the right intention and be able to bear the burdens of the Institution.

HABIT: The habit is of light weight brown cloth, with which a scapular of the same material is worn. A brown cord is worn around the waist, from which a Franciscan Rosary is suspended. The head covering consists of a coif, white collar, crown and black veil.

For further information please write to:

Rev. Mother Superior, Convent of Our Lady of Lourdes, Rochester, Minnesota.



DAUGHTERS OF SAINT FRANCIS OF ASSISI

HISTORY: The Congregation of the Daughters of Saint Francis of Assisi was established in Europe in 1880. At present the Community is active in four countries; Hungary, Czechoslovakia, Romania, and the United States. In 1946, fifteen pioneer Sisters of the Community established the first American foundation and settled in Peru, Illinois. Here the Sisters began their first diocesan activity at Saint Bede's College. Two years later the Motherhouse and Novitiate were established in Lacon, Illinois.

PURPOSE: The primary aim of the Congregation is to glorify God by striving for sanctity in the practice of the vows of Poverty, Chastity, and Obedience. The secondary purpose is ministering to Christ's members in hospitals and private homes.

QUALIFICATIONS: Young girls, be-

tween 15 and 30, who are accepted into this Community must:

*possess both good health and a generous desire to serve

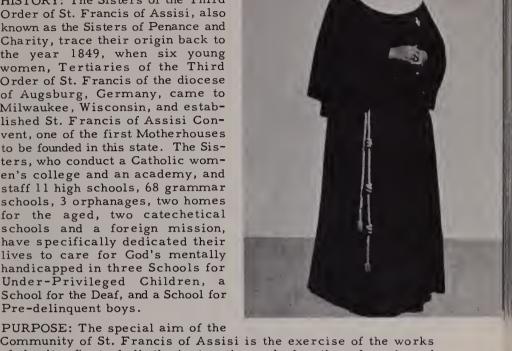
*present a certificate of health signed by a physician. The postulancy is six months, followed by two years of Novitiate. Temporary vows are made annually for a period of three years, after which perpetual vows are pronounced.

For further information please write to:

Reverend Mother Superior, Saint Joseph Convent, Lacon, Illinois.

SISTERS OF THE THIRD ORDER OF ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI Milwaukee, Wisconsin

HISTORY: The Sisters of the Third Order of St. Francis of Assisi, also known as the Sisters of Penance and Charity, trace their origin back to the year 1849, when six young women, Tertiaries of the Third Order of St. Francis of the diocese of Augsburg, Germany, came to Milwaukee, Wisconsin, and established St. Francis of Assisi Convent, one of the first Motherhouses to be founded in this state. The Sisters, who conduct a Catholic women's college and an academy, and staff 11 high schools, 68 grammar schools, 3 orphanages, two homes for the aged, two catechetical schools and a foreign mission, have specifically dedicated their lives to care for God's mentally handicapped in three Schools for Under-Privileged Children, a School for the Deaf, and a School for Pre-delinquent boys.



Community of St. Francis of Assisi is the exercise of the works of charity: first of all, the instruction and education of youth; and secondly, the training and education of children who are orphans, deaf-mutes, mentally-retarded or blind; finally, the care of the domestic department in Institutes.

QUALIFICATIONS:

- * Young ladies are accepted into this Community who are between the ages of 16 and 30.
- * No special qualifications in education are required since the Congregation is engaged in a variety of occupations.
- *Young girls who have completed the eighth grade are urged to apply. A nominal fee for tuition is requested.

HABIT: The Sisters wear a black habit and veil, with a white coif, collar, and a white girdle with a rosary.

For further information please write to:

Rev. Mother General, St. Francis of Assisi Convent, 3221 South Lake Drive, Milwaukee 7, Wisconsin.



THE GREY NUNS OF THE CROSS

HISTORY: In 1845, upon the request of Bishop Phelan, of Kingston, Ontario, the Grey Nuns of Montreal sent four Sisters, under the leadership of Mother Elizabeth Bruvere, to found an autonomous Congregation in Bytown, now Ottawa. Their Rule received pontifical approbation in 1889. The Congregation now numbers more than 2,600 members: it has 3 provinces in Canada, 1 in the United States, and 1 in Africa. The apostolic Missions of James Bay and Nyassaland, Equatorial Africa, are under the direct control of the General Administration in Ottawa. The Congregation has Novitiates in Ottawa and Basutoland. South Africa; postulates in Ottawa, Lowell, Mass., and in Basutoland. The Lowell Postulate is for American candidates. The Congregation has 92 active houses: 75 in Canada. 8 in the United States, and 9 in Africa.

PURPOSE: Schools, from kindergarten to university; general hospitals, sanatoriums for incurables; homes; orphanages; Apostolic Missions (with the Indians of James Bay and the natives of Basutoland and Nyassaland, Africa).

QUALIFICATIONS: Candidates are accepted who are:

- *at least 18
- *willing to assume the obligations and sacrifices of religious life
- *capable of being a useful member of the Congregation
- *free of infirmity and have a sound mind and suitable education.

HABIT: Postulants wear a purple dress, white cap, and a black veil. Novices and Professed Nuns wear a grey dress, black cap, and a black veil.

For further information please write to:

Reverend Mother General, Motherhouse of the Grey Nuns of the Cross, 9 Bruyere Street, Ottawa, Ontario, Canada; Rev. Mother Superior, 57 Rolfe Avenue, Lowell, Massachusetts.

THE GREY NUNS OF THE SACRED HEART Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

HISTORY: On October 31, 1738, Marie Marguerite d'Youville and three companions, in a little house they had rented in Montreal, knelt before a small statue of our Blessed Mother to consecrate their lives to the service of her Divine Son, Whom they were to serve in the person of the ignorant, the infirm, aged, sick, poor, and forsaken. Thus began the Congregation of Sisters of Charity familiarly known as the Grey Nuns who live and work in Canada, the United States, Haiti, Africa, China, Alaska, and Japan. In 1921, the Sacred Congregation of Religious Affairs approved the separation of many Grey Nuns from the Ottawa Motherhouse, one of the five independent branches of Grey Nuns, and on July 31, 1923, the revised Constitutions of the newly-formed Congregation, the Grey Nuns of the Sacred Heart, were approved by the Sacred Congregation for Religious.



PURPOSE: The primary aim of the Grey Nuns of the Sacred Heart is self-sanctification through the observance of the Rule and Constitutions. The secondary aim of the Congregation is the education of youth in schools, ranging from kindergarten through college, and the care of the sick and infirm, the aged, orphans, and the poor.

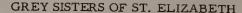
QUALIFICATIONS: Applicants must:

- * show fitness for religious life, i.e, she must be willing to make sacrifices and accept its obligations
- *be 15 but not over 30
- *have at least average intelligence
- *be in good health and free from physical impediment
- *have no obligation to support parents or other members of the family, and must be without debt.

HABIT: Sand color; black gauze coif, black cape, veil and cincture; a silver crucifix completes the habit of the Professed Sisters.

For further information please write to:

Reverend Mother Saint Edward, Superior General, 7500 West Avenue, Philadelphia 26, Pennsylvania.





HISTORY: The Congregation of the Grey Sisters of St. Elizabeth was founded at Neisse, Upper Silesia, Germany, in 1842. Since then, its spread has been rapid, and shortly before World War II, the Congregation numbered 5000 members in about 500 foundations. In America there are only two foundations, and both are attached to the Province of the Generalate in Germany, presently located at Schlangenbad-Georgenborn, in the American Zone. One American foundation is located at St. Mary's College, North East, Pennsylvania, the Minor Seminary of the Eastern Province of the Redemptorist Fathers, and the other at the Redemptorist Major Seminary, Mount St. Alphonsus, Esopus, New York. The first group of Sisters, four in number, came to America and took up residence at North East in February 1923. The foundation at Esopus, New York, was established in 1926.

PURPOSE: The primary object of this Sisterhood is the care of the sick, at home and in hospitals. The Sisters also have the care of orphanages, kindergartens, schools and homes for the aged. In the American foundations, they have charge of the domestic departments of both Redemptorist Seminaries.

QUALIFICATIONS: Applicants who desire to enter this Community must be:

*between the ages of 16 and 30

* of legitimate birth

* of good family background.

The dowry is no longer necessary.

HABIT: The habit is of plain black cloth and the veil is of the same color. Formerly the veil was grey. A long gray cloak is worn when the Sisters travel in public, especially in their ministry to the sick.

For further information please write to:

Rev. Mother Superior, St. Mary's College, North East, Pennsylvania.

SISTERS OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD

HISTORY: The Sisters of the Good Shepherd, a group of women who have dedicated their lives to help bring souls back to a life of grace and friendship with God, were founded by St. John Eudes, in 1641. In 1835, the first Superioress, St. Mary Euphrasia Pelletier established the Generalate and Central Motherhouse at Angers, France. Since their first foundation at Louisville, Kentucky, in 1843, the Sisters of Good Shepherd have founded seven Provinces in the United States. Today there are over 10,000 Religious in 380 houses in five continents engaged in the Social Work of reeducation.

PURPOSE: These semi-cloistered Shepherdesses take the four Vows of Poverty, Chastity, Obedience, and the Zeal for Souls. The fourth Vow is the essence of their vocation as the Congregation was founded only through the love for souls. The Sisters of the Good Shepherd conduct homes which center around



girls who come voluntarily, are sent by parents, social agencies, or by court commitment.

QUALIFICATIONS:

- * Young girls are accepted who are between 18-35 (exceptions are sometimes made).
- * There are no special educational requirements.
- *Adaptibility, zeal, and love for souls are the basic requirements. Work embraces limitless fields for development and use of the individual's talents and capabilities.
- * No dowry is required.

HABIT: The habit of the Sisters of the Good Shepherd is white with a blue girdle. Hanging from the neck and displayed in front is a large silver heart. On one side of it is engraved the figure of Jesus the Good Shepherd and on the other, the Blessed Mother.

For further information please write to the Rev. Mother Provincial at the nearest Provincial Convent of the Sisters of the Good Shepherd listed below:

Baltimore Province-Convent of the Good Shepherd, Mount and Hollins St., Baltimore 23, Maryland; Carthage Province-Provincial Convent of the Good Shepherd, Elmwood, P.O. Box 359, R.6, Cincinnati 16, Ohio; (see page 339 for further addresses)



MARIANITES OF HOLY CROSS

HISTORY: The Congregation of the Sisters Marianites of Holy Cross was founded in Le Mans, France, in 1841, by the Very Reverend Basile Antoine Moreau, C.S.C., with the cooperation of Mother Mary of the Seven Dolors, the first Superior General of the Marianites of Holy Cross. In 1843, missions were established in America for the care and education of orphans and the care of sick in hospitals. At present missions are found in all parts of France, in the United States, Canada, India, Haiti, and England.

PURPOSE: This Congregation, being placed under the patronage of Our Lady of Sorrows, has for its aim to honor the sufferings of Our Lady by the sanctification of its members through the faithful accomplishment of its works among the children in its schools, orphanages, and hospitals, as well as in foreign missions.

QUALIFICATIONS:

- *Good reputation.
- * If possible a high school education.
- *Certificates of Baptism, Confirmation, and health.
- *A letter of recommendation from her Pastor or confessor.

HABIT: The habit is of black serge; it has a full skirt, long flowing sleeves, a cape, a white fluted bonnet, black veil, white linen collar, blue cincture, seven dolor beads, and a heart shaped medallion bearing the transfixed heart of Our Lady of Seven Dolors.

For further information please write to:

Mother Provincial, Our Lady of Princeton, Princeton, New Jersey; Mother Provincial, 3500 St. Claude Ave., New Orleans 17, Louisiana.

SISTERS OF THE HOLY CROSS Notre Dame, Indiana

HISTORY: The Sisters of the Holy Cross were founded at Le Mans, France, in 1841, by the Very Rev. Basil Anthony Moreau. In 1843, four Sisters of the infant Community left France for America and established the first foundation in the New World, at Notre Dame. From its present Motherhouse there, at St. Mary's Convent, the Community has grown. To-day its houses reach from Michigan to Texas and from Massachusetts to California. Institutions under its direction number three liberal colleges, twelve hospitals and infirmaries, four orphanages, and some hundred elementary and secondary schools. Moreover, East Pakistan, Indian, and Sao Paulo, Brazil, witness the for eign mission apostolate of its members; while missions for the Negro and for the neglected Mexicans of the South are conducted in the United States.



PURPOSE: The primary aim of the

Sisters of the Holy Cross is personal sanctification; their secondary purpose is the salvation of souls achieved through their apostolate. Their title designates their spirit. To dwell with Our Lady of Sorrows at the foot of the cross in contemplative love and in joyful imitation of the Crucified is the challenge to sanctify presented by their Rule.

QUALIFICATIONS: Young women are admitted to the postulate at the completion of their high school course who:

*desire to dedicate themselves to the apostolate of Christian education—or nursing—or the foreign missions. Those desiring to dedicate themselves to the hidden apostolate may be admitted without this requirement.

HABIT: The black habit of the Sisters is characterized by the Rosary of the Seven Dolors worn at their right side, while a blue cord in honor of Mary is worn at the left. A silver heart bearing the image of Our Lady of Sorrows, the patroness and model of the Sisters, is suspended from their circular collar. The head dress is a fluted cap evolved from that of French peasants of the province where the community was founded.

For further information please write to:

The Mistress of Novices, St. Mary's Novitiate, Notre Dame, Indiana.



SISTERS OF THE HOLY CROSS AND THE SEVEN DOLORS Manchester, New Hampshire

HISTORY: The Congregation of the Sisters of Holy Cross, whose Motherhouse is at St. Laurent, near Montreal, was founded at Le Mans, France, in 1841, by the Very Rev. Basil Antoine Moreau, who, under the auspices of Bishop Bouvier, in 1834, organized the Fathers of Holy Cross. At the request of the saintly Bishop Bourget, four Sisters embarked for Canada and arrived at Montreal on May 27, 1847. The young Community increased and its work prospered. Today, to the zeal and care of its members are entrusted thousands of children in parochial schools, boarding schools, and high schools throughout Canada and the United States. On March 15. 1910, His Holiness, Pius X ratified and confirmed the decree of the Sacred Congregation of Religious, granting the approval of its Constitutions in perpetuity.

PURPOSE: All the members, who take the three simple vows of religion, form one family, having no distinction in dress or rank, believing that whatever is done in a spirit of Faith in the service of God is noble. The special aim of the Sisters of the Holy Ghost is to co-operate in the sanctification of souls, by teaching in boarding and day schools, and also by the exercise of Charity towards the sick.

QUALIFICATIONS: Young candidates must have the evident signs of a religious vocation:

- *Respectable parentage, ordinary intelligence and common sense, good health, unblemished reputation, and a willingness to be employed according to the Rules and Constitutions.
- *Although high school education is desirable, candidates are afforded every opportunity for continuing their studies at our House of Studies.
- * Candidates will find at Holy Cross wide domain for the exercise of individual talents.

For further information please write to:

Rev. Mother Provincial, St. George Manor, 357 Island Pond Rd., Manchester, New Hampshire.

THE SISTERS OF MERCY OF THE HOLY CROSS Merrill, Wisconsin

HISTORY: The zealous Swiss Capuchin, Father Theodosius Florentini, founded the Sisters of Mercy of the Holy Cross in 1856, aided by Mother Theresa Scherer, whose cause for Beatification is now being advanced in Rome. Both the Cross and mercy were to be found in their undertakings which centered around the corporal and spiritual works, and which spread from all Europe to England, India, China, and to America in 1912. Whether chanting the Divine Office in English, or performing one of the many works of the Congregation, the Sisters continue their activecontemplative life in the Holy Cross spirit of "praying always," backed by a deep faith, zeal, and a consciousness of the meaning and merciful love of Christ's Mystical Body.

PURPOSE: In the fields of education, nursing, orphan care, catechetical missions, in other special-

ized or domestic works, the purpose of the Holy Cross Sister is one: to give true glory to God by fulfilling His will for her own sanctification and the salvation of souls.

QUALIFICATIONS: The requirements and conditions for entrance are:

- *a sincere desire of total dedication to Christ
- * sound mental, moral, and physical health
- *age 16-32
- *a small dowry if possible. The Community also expects the candidate to meet the required additional expenses.

HABIT: The Holy Cross habit expresses a living faith—its Franciscan simplicity (black for most works, white for nursing and foreign missions) is centered around the Sign of signs, the Crucifix.

For further information please write to:

Rev. Mother Superior, Holy Cross Institute, Park and Riverside Avenues, Merrill, Wisconsin.



LITTLE SISTERS OF THE HOLY FAMILY

HISTORY: The Society of the Little Sisters of the Holy Family, who now number over 1,100 members laboring in 56 establishments in both Canada and the United States. was founded on May 1, 1880, at St. Joseph's College in New Brunswick. Its founders were two religious of the Holy Cross; Mother Camille Lefebvre and Mother Marie-Leonie. The Congregation, which received official approbation of the Holy See on March 2, 1937, since its first foundation in the United States in 1900, has founded establishments in Boston, Chicago, New York, Philadelphia, San Francisco, Washington, Manchester, and Portland, Maine.

PURPOSE: The general aim of the Society is the sanctification of its members through the threefold vows. Its specific work is an apostolic work—consecrating its services to help the clergy by tending to the domestic needs of colleges,

seminaries, episcopal dwellings, and religious communities of priests. There is no distinction among the Sisters—all labor for Christ, according to their particular aptitudes and strength.

QUALIFICATIONS: A girl between 15-30, who wishes to join this Society must:

*possess good character and a correct judgment

*be of solid piety, sufficient health, legitimacy of birth and of Catholic parents

*have an aptitude for manual work.

HABIT: The Sisters wear a black habit and veil; a white guimpe, head band and coif, a silver cross, and a large rosary complete the religious garb.

For further information please write to:

Rev. Mother Superior, Mont-Sainte-Famille, Sherbrooke, P. Q., Canada.

SISTERS OF THE HOLY FAMILY

HISTORY: The Congregation of the Sisters of the Holy Family was established on November 21, 1842, in New Orleans, Louisiana, approximately twenty years before the Proclamation of Emancipation, when slavery was still at its height throughout the Southland. Under the guidance of Pere Rousselon, Vicar General of the Diocese of New Orleans, the co-Foundresses, Marie Henriette Delille, and Juliette Gaudin wished to dedicate their Community to the service of God and the Church, in the fields of education and charity, especially among the indigent Colored women, for the instruction of slaves, and the teaching of Catechism to children. The Sisters, who spread rapidly throughout the South now labor in New Orleans, San Antonio, Lafavette, Alexandria, Mobile, Galveston, Corpus Christi, and in Stann Creek, British Honduras.

PURPOSE: The Sisters of the Holy Family have as their prime purpose

the salvation of their own souls through the love of God; secondarily, following Our Lord's own request, they spend themselves for their neighbor, by conducting elementary and high schools, by devoting their services not only to the orphans but also to the aged of both sexes.

OUALIFICATIONS:

- * Aptitude for the religious state.
- *Completion of high school
- *Sufficient funds to defray the expenses of the Novitiate (2 years).
- *A Trousseau to last for at least three years.
- *A dowry is required.
- *Good health and a strong desire to do all for the greater honor and glory of God.

HABIT: The habit, veil, and cape of the Professed Sister is of black serge. The collar, guimpe, band and bonnet are of white linen. A rosary of six decades in honor of St. Bridget, a seven knotted cincture of St. Joseph, a crucifix and a gold ring complete the Religious garb.

For further information please write to:

Rev. Mother Superior, Holy Family Convent, 717 Orleans St., New Orleans 16, Louisiana.



SISTERS OF THE HOLY FAMILY OF SAN FRANCISCO

HISTORY: "Father Prendergast and I have another work for you to do," said Archbishop Alemany to young Elizabeth Armer who had come to consult him about her desire to enter a contemplative order. The Archbishop then unfolded to the future Mother Dolores his plans for a new work, an Institute of Sisters to reach out beyond the safe enclosure of the Catholic Schools, "to the children of the highways and byways, the streets and the lanes". In 1872, Elizabeth and one companion opened the first convent of the Sisters of the Holy Family in San Francisco. Today the Sisters are teaching religion throughout California and Nevada, in Hawaii and Texas.

PURPOSE: Their special work is "to instruct and train in the practice of the Catholic Faith children who are otherwise deprived of religious education". As about one-half of the Catholic children of the country are in Public Schools, the work is vast

and limitless. Religion classes are conducted on week-days after school hours or in release-time, also on Saturdays and in vacation schools; in churches, halls, private homes, theatres, and open air. Retreats are provided for public high school students. Where necessary, day homes are conducted for the care and training of preschool children whose mothers must work.

QUALIFICATIONS: After the supernatural motive of giving oneself entirely to God's service the qualifications are:

- *age 17-30
- *good health and common sense
- *cheerful disposition
- *high school education.

HABIT: The habit is a plain black dress with a short cape, and a white collar. A veil, black for the Professed and white for the novices, is worn over a white coif.

For further information please write to:

Directress of Vocations, Holy Family Motherhouse, 890 Hayes Street, San Francisco 17, California.

SISTERS OF THE HOLY FAMILY OF NAZARETH—C.S.F.N.

HISTORY: The Congregation of the Sisters of the Holy Family of Nazareth was founded in 1875, in Rome, Italy, by Mother Mary Francis Siedliska, a Polish noblewoman. International in scope, the Congregation has established convents in Poland, Italy, England, France, and the United States: where there are now three provinces with separate novitiates, at Chicago, Pittsburgh, and Philadelphia, and one Vicariate consisting of seven hospitals scattered throughout Texas and New Mexico. At the time of its Diamond Jubilee in December, 1950 the Community numbered 2,240 members.

PURPOSE: The Congregation being partly contemplative and partly active, and having for its model the hidden life of Nazareth's Holy Family aims principally to "glorify God and to correspond to His love by striving for the sanctification of its members" through fidelity to the



vows of Poverty, Chastity, and Obedience, and through general acts of charity comprising education of youth, care of the sick and orphans, and even, when called upon, missionary work in foreign lands. The specific aim of the Congregation is "reparation for the outrages committed... against the Divine Majesty, by continual prayer for the needs of the Church and the Sovereign Pontiff".

QUALIFICATIONS: Aspirants to membership in this Community must:

- *be between 15 and 30 (some exceptions are made for those who are over 30)
- *have good health (a doctor's certificate is required)
- *present a letter of reference as to her moral character, as well as certificates of Baptism and Confirmation.

HABIT: The Professed Sisters wear a black veil, and habit, with a flowing cape; a distinctive white pleated collar which covers the neck and shoulders, and a silver profession cross complete the religious garb.

For further information please write to:

Reverend Mother Provincial, Sisters of the Holy Family of Nazareth, Torresdale, Philadelphia 14, Pennsylvania; Reverend Mother Provincial, River Road, Box 22, Des Plains, Illinois; Reverend Mother Provincial, 285 Bellevue Road, Pittsburgh 29, Pennsylvania.



DAUGHTERS OF THE HOLY GHOST Putnam, Connecticut

HISTORY: The Daughters of the Holy Ghost were founded in Brittany, France in 1706 by two pious women, Renee Burel and Marie Balavenne under the direction of Dom Jean Ledeuger and Abbe Allenou de la Ville-Angevin. Today this congregation numbers about 3500 sisters, all of whom are of equal rank. In 1902 due to the nefarious anti-clerical laws passed in France, which closed many schools conducted by the Daughters of the Holy Ghost, the community was forced to extend its field of action to America. Thirty three houses have been opened in the various dioceses of New England and one in each of the following dioceses: Mobile, Ala bama and Ogdensburg, New York. A house was recently opened in the Province of Quebec. The Daughters of the Holy Ghost also have a

mission in French Cameroon, Africa.

PUR POSE: The members of this congregation devote themselves primarily to the education of the young and to the care of the sick. They conduct hospitals, homes for the aged; they direct orphanages, nurseries, and boarding houses for girls in the large industrial centers. These various activities constitute a vast field of action for anyone with a good will and a sincere love of Christ.

QUALIFICATIONS: Young girls seeking admission into this community must

*be between 16 and 25

*have sufficient health to do the work assigned to them

*possess a sound judgment, sociable character and the ability to perform at least one of the types of work required by the community.

HABIT: These sisters wear a white habit made from an orlon-woolen material. This replaces the "etamine" habit worn prior to April 1954. The veil replaces the former "coiffe". A rosary of five decades is suspended from a black leather belt. The little silver dove represents the Holy Ghost of whom they are the Daughters.

For further information please write to: Reverend Mother Provincial, Holy Ghost Provincial House, 72 Church Street, Putnam, Connecticut.

SISTERS OF THE HOLY GHOST

HISTORY: Twenty-two years ago, the Community of Sisters of the Holy Ghost was canonically established by the Most Reverend Archbishop Joseph Schrembs, on the Feast of the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin, September 8, 1929. The novices received that day marked the culmination of plans that had begun in Rome, under the zealous guidance of Reverend Joseph Zikar. Mother Mary Josephine, the Foundress, who ruled until her death in 1936, received her early training in the Carmelite Order; and when she began her work in 1929 in Cleveland, she introduced some Carmelite traditions, e.g., Feast of Our Lady of Mount Carmel is observed with special distinction. In 1942, the Sisters entered the social field by conducting a home for the aged. In 1947, the Sisters entered the teaching field.

PURPOSE: The general aim of this Congregation is the glory of God and the sanctification of its members

through the observance of the three simple vows, and the Constitutions. The special object, however, is based on the exercise of works of Christian charity and the education of youth. The Sisters are engaged in social work, caring for the aged, and teaching in the elementary schools.

QUALIFICATIONS: The requirements are simple, mainly:

- *good character and health
- *a pleasant and cheerful disposition
- *a desire to live for God
- *age—up to 30 (dispensation can be obtained up to 35)
- *high school education, although desirable, is not absolutely necessary
- *although a small dowry is required, lack of it is not an obstacle for admission.

HABIT: The Sisters wear a black habit, crucifix, and scapular, and a red cincture in honor of the Holy Ghost with a rosary of five decades.

For further information please write to:

Mother Mary Agnes, C.S.Sp., Sisters of the Holy Ghost, 10102 Granger Road, Cleveland 25, Ohio.



SISTERS SERVANTS OF THE HOLY GHOST AND MARY IMMACULATE

HISTORY: The Sisters Servants of the Holy Ghost and Mary Immaculate, a Community not too widely known, their work not lending itself to much notice, nor moving amongst those who might be able to forward their efforts, or help in their earnest wish to spread, was born in the heart of one woman Margaret Healy Murphy. She began with the wish to serve God in His poor some sixty years ago during the late eighties, in the State of Texas. This widow, who came to San Antonio in 1887, chose a work pleasing in the sight of God, yet hitherto almost unknown in these southern parts viz., bringing Catholic truth to the Negro folk in the South. Although the work was not looked upon kindly by neighboring whites, Mother Margaret progressed steadily. Today the Congregation operates about 40 houses or schools in the South, one in New York, and a school and entry house in Galway, Ireland.

PURPOSE: The general aim of the Institute is the sanctification of its members through the three simple vows of religion. The special aim, or the first calling of the order as the Rule has it, is to the peoples "of the dark races". The Holy Ghost Nuns also teach in schools for the white.

QUALIFICATIONS: "First things first"

* genuine signs of a religious vocation

*a decided liking for teaching and for working among all creeds and classes

*a high school education at least is most desirable.

HABIT: The habit of the Holy Ghost Sisters is plain but pleasing, black with white collar and white band lining the veil, a cross showing the gifts of the Holy Ghost, and of course, the rosary of Mary Immaculate.

For further information please write to:

Rev. Mother General, Convent of Holy Ghost and Mary Immaculate, Grand View Heights, 301 Yucca St., San Antonio, Texas.

SISTER SERVANTS OF THE HOLY GHOST OF PERPETUAL ADORATION

HISTORY: The Sisters Servants of the Holy Ghost of Perpetual Adoration, more commonly known as "the Pink Sisters," were founded December 8, 1896, by the Venerable Servant of God, Arnold Janssen, together with the Co-Foundress, Mother Mary Michael. The Motherhouse is in the little village of Steyl, Holland. Eighteen years after the foundation. Divine Providence willed that the Sisters should be invited by the lately revered Archbishop Prendergast of Philadelphia to take over the newly erected adoration Chapel and Convent of Divine Love in the city of Brotherly love. Since then the Congregation has spread to other parts of the world and it now has adoration Convents in St. Louis, Missouri, Holland, Germany, the Philippines, Argentina, and until recently in China.



PURPOSE: The general aim of the

Sisters is the glorification of God and the sanctification of its members. The specific purpose is the perpetual adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament: all the prayers and sacrifices are offered for the propagation of the Faith and the sanctification of the Priesthood. When not engaged in prayer, or reciting the Divine Office in Choir, the Sisters may be found performing other necessary occupations according to their abilities.

QUALIFICATIONS: Catholic girls, 18-30, of good families are accepted who have:

- *an inclination to a hidden life of prayer, and sacrifice for Holy Mother Church and her Priesthood
- *a high school education
- *normal physical and mental health.

There is only one class of Sisters (choir) and all perform various household tasks.

HABIT: The habit consists of a subdued pink garment with white cincture, scapular, veil, and choir mantle; a Holy Ghost medallion over the Profession Cross, and a silver ring bearing the symbol of the Holy Ghost complete the religious garb.

For further information please write to:

Rev. Mother Superior, Convent of Divine Love, 2212 Green St., Philadelphia 30, Pennsylvania.



THE SOCIETY OF THE HOLY CHILD JESUS

HISTORY: The Society of the Holy Child Jesus was called into existence by His Holiness, Pope Gregory XVI, when Cardinal Wiseman was seeking help to improve the standard of the education of Catholic girls in England. His Holiness commissioned Cornelia Connelly, a recent American convert, to undertake the work, adding: "From England let your efforts in the cause of education reach America". In 1846 the Society was begun, and 1862 the foundation in Towanda, Pa., saw the Pontiff's prophecy fulfilled in the U.S. Today foundations extending from coast to coast carry on the work of the Society, while England, Ireland, Switzerland, France, and Africa witness the devoted efforts of its members. The Generalate of the Society is in Rome.

PURPOSE: The chief work of the Society is Catholic instruction and education of all classes in parochial schools, private schools, and

colleges. In the mission field the Society has been active in Africa where a native Sisterhood, training colleges, secondary schools, and bush schools are flourishing.

QUALIFICATIONS: The qualifications required are:

- *a desire to give oneself to God
- *moral and physical fitness
- *average intellectual ability
- *the age limit for applicants is 17 to 25, but exceptions are made in individual cases.

HABIT: A black habit and veil with a simple white cap and collar are worn. A gold crucifix ring is given at temporary vows, and a silver cross suspended from the neck, at perpetual vows. In mission countries a white habit is worn.

For further information please write to:

The Mistress of Novices, Convent of the Holy Child Jesus, 1341 Montgomery Ave., Rosemont, Pennsylvania.

SISTERS OF THE POOR CHILD JESUS

HISTORY: A spiritual program followed and adhered to in a Christian home; a pious enterprise generously undertaken and ardently pursued, gave to the Church in the nineteenth century a new religious congregation. The Congregation of the Sisters of the Poor Child Jesus was founded in 1844 by Mother Clare Fey. Born in Aix-la-Chapelle, Germany in 1815, Clare early became distinguished for real true piety and Christian charity. The distinct course which she sought was the care and later education of the poor neglected children of the industrial city of Aachen. Together with her friends, and at the instigation of her brother, Father Andrew Fey, and his priest associates, Clare established the first school for the poor in the city. The undertaking was blessed and developed wonderfully. Under the sure and gentle direction of the Holy Spirit, the Congregation



grew, and quietly and silently accomplished great things in the souls of Christ's favorites, the children. In 1923, at the invitation of Bishop John J. Swint of the diocese of Wheeling, West Virginia, seven Sisters left the Motherhouse in Holland to establish schools here in the state of West Virginia.

PURPOSE: The Sisters teach in kindergarten, elementary, and Junior High Schools. They conduct catechetical classes and vacation schools for children. Flourishing departments for the teaching of art and music are a feature of their educational program.

QUALIFICATIONS: Candidates for admission must:

*present certificates of Baptism and Confirmation
*likewise present a recommendation from the Pastor.
Young aspirants may pursue their studies at the Novitiate

High School, which is attached to the Motherhouse, if they have not completed this training.

HABIT: The Sisters wear a black habit girded with a white woolen cord. Over this is laid a white scapular, under which in the girdle a crucifix is worn. A medal, bearing the impression of the Blessed Sacrament and the Holy Family, and a white bone rosary complete the dress of the Congregation.

For further information please write to:

Rev. Mother Provincial, St. Raphael's Convent, 516—13th Street, Parkersburg, West Virginia.



SERVANTS OF THE HOLY INFANCY OF JESUS

HISTORY: The Congregation of the Servants of the Holy Infancy of Jesus, whose members profess the Franciscan Rule of the Third Order Regular, was founded in Germany in 1855, by the saintly Antonia Werr; received Episcopal approbation in 1863, and was raised to the rank of a Papal Congregation February 10, 1936, by His Holiness, Pope Pius XI. The Community, which established its first foundation in the United States on April 9, 1929, at Staten Island, New York, is represented in the Archdioceses of New York, Indianapolis, and Washington, and in the Dioceses of Trenton, Pittsburgh, and Albany, New York.

PURPOSE: The purpose of the Congregation is the practice of the Spiritual and Corporal works of Mercy, particularly to care for the sick, convalescents, and the aged; to perform social service work among the poor, especially by nursing the sick in their homes: to re-

claim fallen girls and provide shelter for them, and give every possible care to infants born out of wedlock. The Sisters also take over the management of the domestic departments of Ecclesiastical Seminaries and similar Institutions. They also serve in the Foreign Missions.

QUALIFICATIONS:

* Candidates are accepted between the ages of 17 and 30.

*They must be free from Canonical impediments and be of reputable character; besides enjoying good health, they must have a cheerful disposition, adaptable to Community life, and an earnest readiness to serve the Congregation.

*Applicants are given the opportunity to train as Nurses, to study child-care, to develop their talents for music, interior decorating, and fine needle work.

HABIT: The habit of the Sisters is made from black wool material, with a white head covering and a black veil. The Franciscan cord and rosary complete the Religious garb.

For further information please write to:

Rev. Mother Superior, Villa Maria, (P.O. Box 708), 641 Somerset St., North Plainfield, New Jersey.

SISTERS OF THE HOLY NAMES OF JESUS AND MARY

HISTORY: The Congregation of the Sisters of the Holy Names of Jesus and Mary was founded at Longueuil, near Montreal, Canada, on October 28, 1843, by Mother Marie Rose, more popularly known as "Rose of Canada". The Institute which was established under the jurisdiction of Bishop Ignace Bourget of Montreal, and the direction of the Oblates of Mary Immaculate was canonically approved by the Holy See, September 4, 1877. The Community consists of Choir Sisters, who teach and do manual work, and Auxiliary Sisters who tend the household duties. Both take the same simple vows and share the same spiritual advantages. With more than 5000 members the Sisters have founded three Provinces in the United States and a mission in South Africa.

PURPOSE: The chief aim of the Congregation, after the personal sanctification of its members,

ucation of children and young

is the instruction and Christian education of children and young girls. The Community has three-hundred and twenty-nine foundations. Ten colleges; boarding schools; normal schools; 311 high and elementary schools; studios for painting and handicrafts; commercial schools; domestic science schools; industrial schools; and dispensaries for Negroes; advanced schools of music and Catholic Action centers.

QUALIFICATIONS:

- * Young girls, 15 to 30, are accepted as Postulants.
- *High school education is preferred—candidates may go on for higher degrees.
- *Although a dowry is required—a young girl with a true vocation is never refused.

HABIT: The Sisters of the Holy Names wear a simple black habit with a pleated dress, a cape, and a bandeau. The perpetually Professed Sisters also wear a cross, symbolic of the life of sacrifice and a ring, the symbol of their alliance with Christ their Spouse.

For further information please write to:

Rev. Mother General, 1420 Mt. Royal Blvd., Outremont, Montreal 8, Canada; Rev. Mother Provincial, Convent of the Holy Names, Marylhurst, Oregon; Convent of the Holy Names, 2036 Webster St., Oakland 12, California; Academy of the Holy Names, 628 Madison Ave., Albany 3, New York.



THE SOCIETY OF THE HELPERS OF THE HOLY SOULS

HISTORY: The Congregation was founded in 1856 in France by Mother Mary of Providence (Eugenie Smet). whose inspiration, until then unheard of in the Church, was the deliverance of the souls from Purgatory for the Greater Glory of God. "The Order will grow rapidly; it is the work God has been awaiting so long." These words of St. Jean Marie Vianney to the Foundress have been realized. Over 1,300 members are now working in home and foreign missions (China and Japan) in 14 countries, and on 3 continents. The first American foundation was made in New York City in 1892. Other houses throughout the continent soon followed. The congregation, approved by the Holy See, follows rules adapted from those of St. Ignatius.

PURPOSE: "Missionaries of the Communion of Saints," the Helpers dedicate their active and contemplative lives in filling the Church

Triumphant with souls delivered from the Church Suffering, by caring for the corporal and spiritual needs of the Church Militant, especially by home visitations; care of the sick-poor; religious instruction, and social work of all kinds.

QUALIFICATIONS:

*A spirit of sacrifice.

*Good will; moral character; judgment; health.

*Age: 16-30 (dispensations are sometimes granted for very good reasons).

*After postulancy (6 months) and noviceship (2 years) temporary vows are made—6 years later, perpetual vows.

*No fixed dowry is required.

HABIT: A simple black pleated habit, cape, and veil edged with white; white collar and cuffs. A silver chain and crucifix bearing the motto: "Pray, Suffer, Work for the Souls in Purgatory".

For further information please write to:

Mother Mistress, Novitiate of Our Lady of Providence, Chappaqua, New York.

SISTERS OF THE MOST HOLY SACRAMENT

HISTORY: The Congregation of the Sisters of the Most Holy Sacrament had its origin from the Congregation of the Sisters of Perpetual Adoration of the Most Holy Sacrament founded at Bellemagny, Haute-Alsace, France, in 1851. In 1872, five Sisters came from France to establish the community in Louisiana. In 1892, the Congregation became independent of the French Motherhouse and in 1922, the Motherhouse was transferred from New Orleans, to Lafayette, Louisiana, and the name Sisters of the Most Holy Sacrament was adopted. As the work of education grew more arduous, the perpetual adoration was discontinued, but daily Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament was kept in the Motherhouse. It is a distinctively American Religious Congregation having houses in Louisiana, Mississippi, and Alabama.

PURPOSE: The first and primary duty of the members is education

of youth. Although the Congregation has no Lay Sisters it does have non-teaching members. These follow the same Rule and Constitutions as the other members; they wear the same garb and perform the same religious duties. The Congregation, which follows the Rule of St. Augustine approved by the Holy See, in addition to parochial schools, conducts week-end retreats, teaches vacation schools, and does catechetical work in Parishes without religious schools.

QUALIFICATIONS:

- *Good sense—good will—good health, and pliancy of character in order to live the common life.
- *A certain strong attraction or love for the Most Blessed Sacrament.
- *Aptitude to teach or the good will to be employed in any of the duties of the Congregation.

HABIT: The Sisters of the Most Holy Sacrament wear a black serge habit with a white guimpe, bandeau, and a black veil. Attached to the long black scapular is a small gold ostensorium medal.

For further information please write to:

Rev. Mother Superior, Convent of the Most Holy Sacrament, 409 W. St. Mary Blvd., Lafayette, Louisiana.



SISTERS OF THE MOST HOLY TRINITY Cleveland, Ohio

HISTORY: The Congregation of the Sisters of the Most Holy Trinity was founded in France, in the year 1198, by St. John De Matha and St. Felix of Valois. Throughout the centuries, through revolution and wars, the white robed Sisters of the Most Holy Trinity have shared the merciful work of the Trinitarian Fathers everywhere. In 1920, His Eminence the late, Cardinal Dennis Dougherty invited Rev. Mother Theresa, General Superior of the Congregation, to take charge of an elementary school in Bristol, Pennsylvania, thus introducing the Order in America. A few years later His Excellency Rt. Rev. Archbishop J. Schrembs invited the Community to establish a foundation in Cleveland, Ohio, and authorized the Rev. Mother Theresa to receive candidates. The Novitiate is now located in Cleveland, Ohio.

PURPOSE: The Sisters of the Most Holy Trinity, who have established

houses in France, Belgium, England, Italy, Africa, and the America's, are engaged mostly in conducting schools, nurseries, sanitariums, orphan asylums, an institute for destitute girls, as well as other works of charity.

QUALIFICATIONS:

* Young ladies should be between the ages of 15 and 25.

*Requirements for admission into the Order of the Most Holy Trinity are those required by Canon Law common to all the other religious congregations of women.

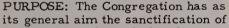
HABIT: The habit of the Sisters is of white wool bearing the emblem of a blue and red cross, signifying the purity of the Father, the sufferings of the Son, and the Charity of the Holy Ghost.

For further information please write to:

Mother Provincial, Villa St. John Di Matha, 2438 Mapleside Rd., Cleveland 4, Ohio.

THE LITTLE SERVANT SISTERS OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION. B.V.M.

HISTORY: The Congregation of "The Little Servant Sisters of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary" had its origin in Poland on May 3, 1850. The Rule of the Congregation is modeled after the Constitutions of the Jesuit Fathers. Its fruitful activity in the education of youth and care of the sick expanded throughout Poland, taking root in England, Africa, and America. A comparatively new Congregation in America, the Community numbers 21 Sisters, 4 Novices. The Motherhouse, located in Woodbridge, New Jersey, conducts a home-nursing service to the needy sick and poor in the adjacent localities. The Community also manages a Diocesan home for the aged in Haddonfield, New Jersey. The new Novitiate located in Haddonfield, New Jersey, was dedicated in June, 1951.



its members through the observance of Evangelical counsels, according to a Rule, approved by the Holy See. Its particular purpose, is to labor for the salvation and perfection of youth, and to care for the sick and aged.

QUALIFICATIONS:

- *Applicants should be between 15 and 30.
- *Sound health is required.
- *High school education and nurses' training would prove very helpful; however, they are not essential.
- *Candidates must have a sincere devotion in the work of saving souls.

HABIT: The garb consists of a white cornet, blue habit, a blue cincture with beads of the Immaculate Conception suspended from it, and a crucifix. The blue habit and white cornet are reminiscent of the lovely garb of the Immaculate Virgin Mary, the chief Patroness of the Congregation.

For further information please write to:

Rev. Mother Superior, St. Joseph's Home, 184 Amboy Avenue, Woodbridge, New Jersey.



SISTERS OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

New Orleans, Louisiana

HISTORY: The Community of the Immaculate Conception, a diocesan congregation, was founded in Labadieville, Louisiana, 1874. Its founder, Reverend Cyprian Venissat, desiring to obtain religious for the parish he had recently founded, chose as first General Superior of the new establishment Miss Elvina Vienne, a school teacher with whose virtues he had long been acquainted. On July 11, 1874, Miss Vienne, together with a companion, received in Labadieville the habit of the Immaculate Conception from Archbishop N. J. Perche. The blessing of God protected the infant Congregation and soon new recruits swelled its ranks.

PURPOSE: The object of the Sisters of the Immaculate Conception is twofold: first, the sanctification of its members by the fulfillment of the vows of Poverty, Chastity, and Obedience and the observance of

the rules of the Institute; second, the salvation of souls by means of the Christian education of youth. Placed under the special protection of the Immaculate Conception the Sisters apply themselves with the greatest care to the imitation of her virtues and the spread of her devotion.

QUALIFICATIONS: Young girls, 14 to 35, may be accepted as aspirants who are:

*free from all Canonical impediments

*motivated by a right intention and capable of performing the duties of this particular Congregation.

She must present certificates of Baptism, Confirmation, parent's marriage, as well as a certificate of health from a physician.

Although high school is desirable, young girl's who have not completed their secondary training are urged to apply.

HABIT: The Sisters wear a black habit and blue scapular in honor of the Immaculate Conception.

For further information please write to:

Directress of Vocations, Immaculate Conception Convent, 3037 Dauphine Street, New Orleans, Louisiana.

SISTERS OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY Putnam, Connecticut

HISTORY: The Sisters of the Immaculate Conception were founded at Mariampole, Lithuania, by the Most Rev. Archbishop George Matulevicius, M.I.C. in 1918. The Generalate at Mariampole is now suppressed by the Communists. In 1936 the Sisters came to the United States to conduct the domestic department of Marianopolis College, Thompson, Connecticut. Because of their charity to refugee Sisters the quarters at Thompson soon proved inadequate, and in 1939, the Motherhouse and Novitiate were changed to Putnam, Connecticut.

PURPOSE: The most important object is the personal sanctification of its members through the threefold simple vows. Besides domestic works the community is also engaged in educational, social, and charitable endeavors.



QUALIFICATIONS: Young ladies between 15-30 will be gladly received who:

*possess nursing, musical, pedagogical, and domestic ability.

Exceptions will be made for older persons.

Although high school education is desired, it is not absolutely necessary.

For further information please write to:

Rev. Mother Superior, Immaculate Conception Convent, R. F. D., 2, Putnam, Connecticut.



SISTERS OF THE IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY

HISTORY: The Congregation of the Sisters of the Immaculate Heart of Mary, was founded on July 2, 1848, in Olot, Spain, by Dr. Joaquin Masmitja y de Puig. It established its first foundation in the United States at the Holy Cross School, Tucson, Arizona, in 1915. The American Province has several schools in Arizona, New Mexico, Texas, Louisiana and its first school of the Middle West was erected in New Lenox, Illinois.

PURPOSE: The general aim of the Community is the sanctification of its members through the three vows of Poverty, Chastity, and Obedience and its own rules. The Primary purpose is to work on the instruction and education of youth in parochial schools, boarding schools, and high schools.

QUALIFICATIONS:

*Age: 16-30.

* Candidates are also received into the Juniorate upon completion of grammar school.

*Here the applicants or the parents are asked to defray board and all other expenses, wardrobe, and medical fees.

For further information please write to:

Rev. Mother Provincial, Immaculate Heart Academy, 6th Ave., and 15th St., Tucson, Arizona.

SISTERS, SERVANTS OF THE IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY

HISTORY: To provide his people with religious teachers, the Redemptorist Father Louis Florent Gillet founded a Community at Monroe, Michigan, in 1845. Three young women met in a little log cabin one November day and bravely undertook a new way of life and the establishment of mission schools for the French settlements of the area. Now nearly four thousand Sisters are carrying on the work of Catholic education, from three separate Motherhouses, at Monroe, Scranton, and Philadelphia. The growth of the Monroe Community has been gradual but steady, and has manifested God's expanding designs and a generous human response to them.

PURPOSE: The first purpose of the Sisters is to make saints of themselves. The second follows closely—the sanctification of others, chiefly through education of all types

from kindergarten through college. Eleven hundred Sisters are teaching, and over a hundred co-operate in cooking, nursing, sewing, and secretarial work.

QUALIFICATIONS: Young women are accepted who:

- *are between the ages of 16 and 28
- *desire to spend their lives with and for God in the service of others
- *possess a spirit of generosity and docility
- *have adequate health and average ability to meet the requirements of some form of Community service.

HABIT: The habit is serge, blue in honor of the Immaculate Conception. The Sisters in Puerto Rico wear a habit of the same design in washable white.

For further information please write to:

Rev. Mother Superior, Sisters, Servants of the Immaculate Heart of Mary—Monroe, Michigan; Villa Maria West Chester, Pennsylvania; Marywood College, 2300 Adams Avenue, Scranton, Pennsylvania.



SISTERS SERVANTS OF THE IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY

HISTORY: The Sisters Servants of the Immaculate Heart of Mary (better known as the Sisters of the Good Shepherd of Quebec), is a Religious Congregation whose Rules have been formally constituted and approved by the Sacred Congregation. The Institute was founded in 1850 in Ouebec City, Canada, by the Honorable George Manly Muir, Knight of St. Gregory and President of the St. Vincent de Paul Society. Madame Genevieve Fitzbach Roy, a pious widow, became its first Superior as Mother Mary of the Sacred Heart. From the Mother House, located in Quebec City, Canada, the Congregation branches out into three provinces, with Provincial Houses and separate Novitiates in Quebec City, in Chicoutimi, P. Q., and in Saco. Maine.

PURPOSE: The foremost aim of the Congregation is the personal sanctification of its members, by

the faithful observance of the three vows of religion. Their active life centers on the conversion of souls, especially the spiritual rehabilitation of fallen women and the moral preservation and Christian education of youth. To this effect, the Sisters have extended their activities throughout Canada, the United States, and Africa, as follows: normal schools, district home economic schools, high schools and academies, orphanages, industrial schools, a home for wayward girls, a foundling home, a reform school, and maternity hospitals in the Archdiocese of Quebec, Canada; elementary and high schools, an orphanage, homes for the aged, and a maternity hospital in the Archdiocese of Boston and in the Diocese of Portland, Maine.

QUALIFICATIONS:

- *At least fifteen years of age.
- *A sufficient guarantee of her scholarship, her good life and free state.
- *She must present certificates of health, Baptism, Confirmation, and good character from her physician and pastor.

HABIT: The Sisters' habit, veil, mantle, and rosary are black; the headdress and crucifix are white.

For further information please write to:

Provincial House of the Good Shepherd, Bay View, Saco, Maine.

THE CALIFORNIA INSTITUTE OF THE SISTERS OF THE MOST HOLY AND IMMACULATE HEART OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

HISTORY: The California Institute of the Sisters of the Immaculate Heart had its beginning in Olot, Spain, under the title of "Daughters of the Most Holy and Immaculate Heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary". Its founder was the zealous Archpriest of the Cathedral of Gerona, Father Joaquin Masmitja y Puig. In 1869, Bishop Amat requested Sisters to establish schools in his missionary diocese of California and the work of the California foundation began in 1871. In 1924, a new Papal Institute was established and the title "Daughters" was changed to that of "California Institute of the Sisters of the Most Holy and Immaculate Heart of Mary". The Institute numbers over three hundred and fifty members and conducts thirtytwo parochial schools, seven high schools, and Immaculate Heart College.



PURPOSE: The primary end of this Institute is the sanctification and perfection of its members by the observance of their three vows and their own proper constitutions; the secondary end is the instruction and education of children in the parochial schools and of girls in academies and colleges.

QUALIFICATIONS: The applicants must have:

- *a true vocation proceeding from supernatural motives
- *testimonials of a good life and freedom of state
- *certificates of Baptism, Confirmation and of health
- *attained the age of 15 but must not have passed 30. It is desirable that they have a high school education.

HABIT: The habit is blue-violet in color. The Sisters wear a starched white coif, a black scapular, and a black veil. A Rosary of the Seven Dolors is worn at the belt.

For further information please write to:

Reverend Mother General, Immaculate Heart Convent, 5515 Franklin Avenue, Los Angeles 28, California.



CONGREGATION OF THE INCARNATE WORD AND BLESSED SACRAMENT

HISTORY: This Congregation owes its origin to the Order of the Incarnate Word and Blessed Sacrament, founded in Roanne, France, in 1625. by Mother Jeanne de Matel. Two Popes, Urban VIII and Innocent X. approved the Order. From the Convent founded in Lyons came the pioneers of the Order in America. Bishop Odin had requested the founding of a Convent in Brownsville, Texas. In 1852, several Sisters left France for this purpose. The Brownsville foundation founded Nazareth Convent, Victoria, Texas, in 1866. A group from Victoria, in turn, founded a house at Hallettsville. Texas, in 1882, and one in Shiner. Texas, in 1897. The Hallettsville foundation was later transferred to San Antonio, Texas. In 1939, the independent houses at Victoria, San Antonio, and Shiner received permission from Rome to unite and from a Congregation with central government.

PURPOSE: The general end of the Congregation "is the glory of God and the sanctification of its members". The special ends are the education of youth, the care of the sick, orphans, the aged, and the conversion of sinners.

QUALIFICATIONS:

*Any Catholic girl or woman who fulfills the canonical requirements may be received.

*Entrance into the Novitiate requires the completion of

high school.

*The Congregation admits candidates, who are at least 14, and ready for high school. They attend regular high school classes, and have quarters separate from the Sisters.

HABIT: The habit is white. The cincture is of very dark red leather. The scapular, very dark red in color, has embroidered on it a crown of thorns and other symbols of the Passion.

For further information please write to:

Rev. Mother General, Nazareth Convent, 105 W. Church St., Victoria, Texas.

SISTERS OF THE INCARNATE WORD AND THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

HISTORY: The Sisters of the Incarnate Word and the Blessed Sacrament were founded in Lyons, France, in 1625. The Foundress, Jeanne Chezard de Matel, attained the heights of contemplation and her Cause has been introduced at Rome. Our Lord Himself instructed her to found the Order, and He showed her in a vision the beautiful, symbolic habit. This Order, originally cloistered, was suppressed during the French Revolution and re-established in 1832. The Lyons Convent sent the first Sisters to America, to Brownsville, Texas, in 1852. From Brownsville branched out independent Motherhouses both in Texas and Mexico. At present the Sisters are located in Victoria, Houston, and Corpus Christi in Texas, and at Cleveland in Ohio. The cloister was lifted in 1913, and numerous missions and schools have been founded since.



PURPOSE: To seek the Glory of God and personal sanctification by the three vows according to the Constitutions and Rule of St. Augustine. Special ends: education of youth; conversion of sinners; adoration and imitation of the Incarnate Word; special homage to the Blessed Sacrament; to advance special devotion to the Immaculate Conception. (Abbreviated from the Constitutions)

OUALIFICATIONS:

- *Any Catholic woman between the ages of 16 and 30, sound in mind and body, having an upright intention, and having a certain aptitude, though not necessarily for teaching, may be accepted.
- *Those interested in housework, sewing, music, and even secretarial work will be welcomed.

HABIT: The Sisters wear a white serge habit, a crimson scapular with a crown of thorns crocheted in blue silk, a red leather cincture, a black rosary, a guimpe and bandeau covered by a black veil lined with white linen.

For further information please write to:

Mother Superior, 6818 Pearl Rd., Parma Heights, Cleveland 9, Ohio; Mother Superior, 715 No. Carancahua St., Corpus Christi, Texas; Mother Superior, Bissonet St., Bellaire, Texas.



THE CONGREGATION OF JESUS AND MARY

HISTORY: The Congregation of Jesus and Mary was an immediate outcome of the French Revolution. Its birthplace was Lyons, France: its Foundress, Claudine Thevenet, later known as Mother Mary St. Ignatius. On July 31, 1816, under the direction of a zealous missionary, Andre Coindre, Miss Thevenet and her companions formed an association which, two years later, became a religious Community, with the Rule of St. Augustine and its own special constitutions. In 1847 His Holiness, Pius IX, granted Pontifical Approbation to this Community, under the title of Congregation of Jesus and Mary. From France the Congregation spread to many other European countries, as well as to India, Canada, the United States, South America, and, very recently, to Africa. In 1907 the Motherhouse was transferred to Rome, its present location.

PURPOSE: The aim of the Congre-

gation, as expressed in the very words of its Foundress, is "to train souls for Heaven". Consequently, its work is primarily teaching throughout the world. For this purpose, schools of every variety have been established to meet the needs of different localities.

QUALIFICATIONS: Any young Catholic aspirant may be admitted into this Congregation who is:

*not over 30

*not retained by any legitimate impediment

* governed by a right intention

*capable of fulfilling the obligations of the Community.

HABIT: The dress and cape are black. The white fluted cap is partly covered with a black cap and veil. Cross and rosary are worn. A choir mantle is used on special occasions.

For further information please write to:

Reverend Mother Provincial, Provincial House, Villa Augustina, Goffstown, New Hampshire; Reverend Mother Provincial, 1401 W. Yandell Blvd., El Paso, Texas.

SISTERS OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST White Plains, New York

HISTORY: Very Reverend Canon Alfonsus M. Fusco, founder of the Congregation of the Sisters of St. John the Baptist, was born in Angri, Italy, on March 23, 1839. Soon after his ordination, he decided to devote all his energies to the founding of a congregation of women, who would dedicate themselves to God and the care of orphan children. Maddalena Caputo, a saintly young lady, learned of his great plan, and heroically offered to dedicate her whole life to its realization. Her cooperation was accepted, and on September 25, 1875, the Congregation of the Sisters of St. John the Baptist was founded.

PURPOSE: The general end of the Congregation is the glory of God and the sanctification of its members by the practice of the threefold vows of Poverty, Chastity, and Obedience and the Constitutions. The particular end of the Institute is to



give religious and secular instruction in public and private schools, colleges, day nurseries, sewing classes, etc. . . . The Sisters consecrate themselves especially to the education of youth particularly the poor, the orphans, and the aged of both sexes. The same activities are pursued in the Far Missions.

QUALIFICATIONS:

- * Young girls upon the completion of grammar school are accepted as "Junior Postulants".
- *Applicants, who have completed their fifteenth year, may be received as Postulants.
- *Normal mentality and a doctor's health certificate are required.
- *The prospective candidate must have a special love for modesty and purity and must present a recommendation from her Pastor.

HABIT: The habit of the Sisters of St. John the Baptist consists of a tunic, scapular, and mantle. A leather belt of natural color, from which hangs a fifteen-decade rosary, is worn around the waist. The head-dress consists of a white segola, frontal, and a black veil.

For further information please write to:

Rev. Mother Provincial, Mt. St. John's Novitiate, Anderson Hill Rd., White Plains, New York.





HISTORY: The Congregation of the Sisters of St. Joseph, which now numbers over 30,000 members, was founded in Le Puy, France, in 1650, by the Right Reverend Bishop Henry de Maupas and Rev. John Peter Medaille S.J. Disbanded during the French Revolution, it was later reorganized by Mother St. John Fontbonne, who had escaped death in the Reign of Terror, at St. Etienne in 1808. The first Motherhouse originated in Lyons under her authority in 1816. In 1836, upon the request of Most Reverend Joseph Rosati, the first Bishop of St. Louis, she sent six Sisters to establish the first foundation in the United States. There are at present 24 independent Motherhouses in the United States, (with the exception of the Sisters of St. Joseph of Carondolet who are a Pontifical Institute), whose immediate Superior is the Bishop of the diocese in which they are located.

PURPOSE: The general purpose of the Sisters of St. Joseph is the glory of God through the personal sanctification of its members by means of the three simple vows. The special purpose and their most extensive work is the instruction of youth from kindergarten to college; managing hospitals, charitable institutions, orphanages, schools for the deaf, homes for the aged, as well as other works of charity.

QUALIFICATIONS: Young Catholic women may be accepted who:

*are under 30

*are imbued with the desire to give glory to God

*possess good health, good judgment, reasonable intelligence, piety, and aptitude for the works of the Congregation.

HABIT: The habit is made quite simply of black serge, with full skirt and sleeves. A guimpe and cornette of white linen, a black rosary, and a soft veil covering the face complete the religious garb.

For further information please write to the Rev. Mother Superior at any one of the Sisters of St. Joseph Convents listed below:

SISTERS OF ST. JOSEPH OF CARONDOLET

Motherhouse—St. Joseph Motherhouse, 6400 Minnesota Ave., St. Louis 11, Missouri; Augusta Province—2542 Belleview Ave., Augusta, Georgia; Los Angeles Province—St. Mary's Academy, 3300 W. Slauson Ave., Los Angeles, California; St. Louis Province—Provincial Residence, (Fontbonne) Wydown & Big Bend Blvds., St. Louis 5, Missouri; St. Paul's Province—St. Joseph's Provincial House, 1890 Randolph St., St. Paul 1, Minnesota; Troy Province—St. Joseph's Seminary, 8th St., Troy, New York;

The following houses of the Sisters of St. Joseph are independent Motherhouses.

California - Nazareth Motherhouse, 380 S. Batavia St., Orange, California; Connecticut—Convent of Mary Immaculate, 27 Park Rd., Hartford, Connecticut; Florida -- St. Joseph Motherhouse, St. George St., St. Augustine, Florida; Illinois-Sisters of St. Joseph, 1000 Ogden Ave., La Grange, Illinois; Indiana-St. Joseph's Convent, R. R. 5, Tipton, Indiana; Kansas-Nazareth Motherhouse, 13th & Washington Sts., Concordia, Kansas; Mt. St. Mary's Convent, 3700 E. Lincoln St., Wichita, Kansas; Maine—Sisters of St. Joseph, Novitiate, Auburn, Maine; Massachusetts-Mt. St. Joseph Motherhouse, 637 Cambridge St., Brighton 35, Boston, Massachusetts; Fall River Province, 2501 So. Main St., Fall River, Massachusetts; St. Joseph Novitiate, Bethany Rd., Framingham, Massachusetts; Convent of Sisters of St. Joseph, 62 Elliot St., Springfield, Massachusetts; Michigan-Nazareth College, Motherhouse, Nazareth, Michigan; New York-St. Joseph' Convent, Brentwood, Brooklyn, New York; Mt. St. Joseph Academy, 2064 Main St., Buffalo 9, New York; Nazareth Convent, Pittsford, Rochester, New York; St. Joseph Motherhouse, 362 W. Main St., Watertown, New York; Ohio—St. Joseph Convent, 3430 Rocky River Dr., N.W., Cleveland 11, Ohio; Pennsylvania - Mt. Gallitzin Motherhouse, Baden, Pennsylvania; Villa Maria, W. 8th St., Erie, Pennsylvania; Mt. St. Joseph Convent, Chestnut Hill, Philadelphia 18, Pennsylvania; Vermont-Mt. St. Joseph's Convent, Rutland, Vermont; West Virginia—St. Joseph's Convent, Eoff & 14th Sts., Wheeling, West Virginia; Wisconsin-Nazareth-on-the-Lake, 1412 E. 2nd St., Superior, Wisconsin.



CONGREGATION OF THE SISTERS OF ST. JOSEPH OF BOURG

HISTORY: The Congregation of the Sisters of St. Joseph of Bourg, founded in Le Puy, France, by a zealous Jesuit, Jean Pierre Medaille, and his saintly Bishop, Henri de Maupas, disseminated throughout all France during the century and a half preceding the Revolution. It was steeped in the blood of its numerous martyrs in the Reign of Terror. It was revived at Lyons, during the Napoleonic regime through the efforts of Cardinal Fesch and the devotedness of Mother St. John Fontbonne. Such is the history of St. Joseph's of Bourg from its inception in 1650 until 1824, the year which marked its separation from the general Motherhouse at Lyons, and its erection into a separate Congregation. Protected and fostered by the Bishop of Belley, growth during the next thirty years was rapid; houses were established in Switzerland, Austria, Belgium,

Italy, England, the United States, and Canada.

PURPOSE: High schools, grammar schools, colored and country missions, prison visitations, and summer camps for children occupy the Sisters of the New Orleans, Louisiana Province. In the Crookston Province, located in northwestern Minnesota, the chief works are: hospitals, schools, and social service missions among the Indians and the colored. The Sisters of St. Joseph make the three vows of Poverty, Chastity, and Obedience, and promise to practise the virtues of humility and charity.

QUALIFICATIONS: Young girls who wish to enter St. Joseph's must be:

- *at least 16
- *of good health and character; a letter of recommendation from the Pastor is required
- * sincerely desirous of serving God and saving souls.

HABIT: The habit is black, with a white linen around the face, and a white guimpe.

For further information please write to:

Mother Raphael, Provincial, St. Joseph's Academy, 314 Houston Avenue, Crookston, Minnesota; Rev. Mother Provincial, 2116 Ursuline Avenue, New Orleans (19), Louisiana.

CONGREGATION OF THE LITTLE DAUGHTERS OF SAINT JOSEPH

HISTORY: In 1857, Father Antoine Mercier, a Sulpician stationed in Montreal, having long considered founding a community of nuns consecrated to the spiritual and material welfare of the clergy and seminarians, was favored by Divine Providence, who brought to him Miss Rose-de-Lima Dauth (in religion Mother Julie) with the same purpose in mind. On April 26th of this same year these two souls both so enamoured of the Holy Priesthood started this work, eminently apostolic, of helping the priests and seminarians, by a life of prayer, self-denial, and manual labor, today known as the Congregation of the Little Daughters of Saint Joseph, pontifical by a decree of March 8, 1938. The first foundation in the United States was made in Seattle. Washington, 1931.

PURPOSE: The Nuns of this Order are the real successors of the Holy Women, we hear about in the Gospels,

who followed Our Lord and ministered to his needs. To fulfill the purpose of the Congregation its members devote themselves to the tailoring of ecclesiastical clothing and church vestments, the care of sacristies, altar linens and that of the clothing of seminarians. They also give their help in accomplishing the household work in general both in Seminaries and religious communities for the formation of priests.

QUALIFICATIONS:

- *Age: 15-30 (Exceptions made for worthy applicants).
- * Candidates of any nationality will be admitted.
- * Young aspirants must be guided by a supernatural motive and must be able to fulfill the duties of the religious life.

HABIT: The religious habit, excepting the headdress, is entirely made up of a black woolen material. The Professed Nuns wear a silver crucifix suspended from the neck by a black woolen cord. Those in perpetual vows wear a silver ring.

For further information please write to:

Reverend Mother General, 2333 Sherbrooke Street, West, Montreal 25, P.Q. Canada.



RELIGIOUS HOSPITALLERS OF ST. JOSEPH

HISTORY: The Congregation of the Religious Hospitallers of St. Joseph was founded in 1636, in La Fleche. France, by Jerome le Royer de la Dauversiere, a Catholic layman. and Mother Marid de La Ferre, as Co-Foundress. A group of Nuns accompanied by Jeanne Mance, the first North American nurse, established their historic Hotel-Dieu, a hospital home in Montreal, Canada, in 1659. From Montreal, the Religious Hospitallers founded their first hospital, the Fanny Allen Hospital, in the United States, at Winooski, Vermont, in 1894. In 1924, the Bishop de Goesbriand Hospital was built in memory of Vermont's first Bishop. Twenty-two years later, the Sisters at the De Goesbriand Hospital were formed into a separate Community. The Sisters also conduct St. Bernard's and St. George's Hospitals in the Archdiocese of Chicago; St. Joseph's Hospital in the Archdiocese of Milwaukee; Hotel Dieu Hospital

in the Diocese of Helena; the Hotel Dieu of St. Joseph, and the Langlade Country Memorial Hospital in the Diocese of Green Bay, Wisconsin.

PURPOSE: The Religious Hospitallers under the simple vows of Poverty, Chastity, and Obedience strive for God's glory and their own sanctification by taking care of the poor and sick in hospitals. In certain cases, the Congregation may take over the care of orphans, of the aged and also the education of youth.

OUALIFICATIONS:

- *Candidates are received before and after completing high school.
- *A nursing education is not essential—after profession the Sisters will be trained for the work to which they will be assigned.

HABIT: The habit of the Religious Hospitaller is black; the black veil which she receives upon her head at profession symbolizes her renunciation of the world.

For further information please write to:

Rev. Mother General, Hotel Dieu of St. Joseph, Kinston, Ontario, Canada; Rev. Mother Superior, Bishop de Goesbriand Hospital, Burlington, Vermont; Rev. Mother Superior, Fanny Allen Hospital, Winooski, Vermont.

SISTERS OF ST. JOSEPH OF CLUNY

HISTORY: The Sisters of St. Joseph of Cluny were founded by Blessed Anne-Marie Javouhey, beatified in October, 1950, in 1806, at Chalonsur-Saone, France, and were placed under the patronage of St. Joseph to whose care was confided her work of education, and of tending the poor and sick. On 12th May 1807, Blessed Anne-Marie, her three sisters, and several companions, pronounced their vows, and donned the religious habit shown to her by our Blessed Lady. The first Novitiate was established at Cluny, which name persisted even after the installation of the Motherhouse at Paris. In the United States, the Sisters staff the Institute for homeless boys in Philadelphia, a Retreat House in Manville, Rhode Island, and a primary school in Wilmington, Los Angeles.

PURPOSE: In 1817, Blessed Anne-Marie, at the request of the French Government, established her daugh-

ters in Reunion, Senegal, Madagascar, Sierre-Leone, Gambia, B.W. Indies, and India. Over 4000 Sisters in five continents are now devoting their lives to the service of God in training colleges, elementary and secondary schools, orphanages, hospitals, dispensaries, leprosariums and catechism classes.

QUALIFICATIONS:

- *Vocation to the missionary life.
- *Devotedness and fitness for intellectual or manual work.
- *Sufficiently good health.

HABIT: The Religious wear a dress of azure blue, with a large black scapular (associating the Congregation with the Cistercian and Carmelite Orders), a white guimpe partially concealed by a black pelerine, a white bandeau, black veil, profession ring, crucifix, and a large black rosary.

For further information please write to:

Reverend Mother, Retreat House, Manville, Rhode Island.



SISTERS OF ST. JOSEPH OF NEWARK

HISTORY: The Congregation of the Sisters of St. Joseph of Newark was canonically founded by the Most Reverend Edward Gilpin Bagshawe, D.D., in the Diocese of Nottingham, England, in 1888. Within a few years foundations were opened in the Diocese of Newark and the Diocese of Bellingham, Washington. Thus three provinces were created -one in England, one in Eastern United States, and one in the far West. The Congregation numbers about 600 and maintains 28 schools, 10 hospitals, 4 orphanages, 2 homes for the blind, 3 homes for business girls, and 5 catechetical centers. It is represented in the Archdioceses of Newark, Philadelphia, Los Angeles, and Portland, and in the dioceses of Camden, Paterson, Trenton, Raleigh, and Seattle. Also in England, Scotland, Ireland, Nelson, B. C., the Vicariates of Alaska and Cagayan, Philippine Islands.

PURPOSE: The Congregation was originally founded to train and house working girls. In addition, the Sisters undertook the maintenance of hospitals and schools, and the care of orphans and the blind. The Community prints and edits a magazine, "The Orphans' Messenger and Advocate of the Blind".

QUALIFICATIONS:

*Applicants must be not more than 30.

*They must have at least average intelligence and good health.

* High school diploma preferred but not required.

*Certificates of Baptism, Confirmation, Parent's Marriage, and a recommendation of the Pastor.

*Small dowry usually asked.

HABIT: The habit is of black serge with a scapular of the same material; a cincture of black leather, a silver mounted crucifix, a guimpe, forehead band and domino of white linen, and a black veil, complete the religious habit.

For further information please write to the Rev. Mother Superior at any one of the following:

Mt. St. Joseph, Glendola, Spring Lake, New Jersey; St. Michael's Englewood, New Jersey; Mt. St. Mary's, South Bellingham, Washington.

SISTERS OF ST. JOSEPH OF ST. MARK

HISTORY: The Congregation of the Sisters of St. Joseph of St. Mark was founded in 1845 by Reverend Peter Blank in Alsace-Lorraine, near Strassburg, France. The first Mother General was Mother Mary Josepha. A noted foundation of the Congregation is the Province of St. Trudpert in the Black Forest of Germany, established in 1920. Each of these Communities numbers 500. From this latter Province the American Province, now numbering 50, had its origin in 1937, when Pope Pius XI granted permission to establish an American Province in the Diocese of Cleveland, Ohio, at the request and under the guidance of The Most Reverend Joseph Schrembs, D.D., LL.D., who had brought the first group of German Sisters to Cleveland in 1926.

PURPOSE: They glorify God and sanctify self through simple vows. Their work includes nursing the sick and aged, kindergarten and orphanage

child care, and sewing schools. The American Community fulfills domestic duties of Seminaries, Retreat Houses, a Bishop's Residence, and a Convalescent Home on the Motherhouse thirty-acre estate.

QUALIFICATIONS: Any Catholic Girl possessing the following essential requisites may be accepted into this Community:

- *age: 15-30 (occasionally exceptions are made)
- *possession of the physical and mental qualities necessary for the religious life
- *an irreproachable background.

HABIT: The habit is black. A white coif, collar, cap, forehead binding and black veil cover the head and throat. A crucifix is worn on the breast, a rosary at the side. After final profession a silver ring is worn.

For further information please write to:

Mother M. Romona, Provincial, Sisters of St. Joseph of St. Mark, 21800 Chardon Road, Euclid 17, Ohio.



INSTITUTE OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY (LADIES OF LORETTO)

HISTORY: The American Generalate of the Pontifical Institute of the B.V.M., was founded in Toronto. Ontario, in 1847 by the Ladies of Loretto from Rathfarnham, Ireland, whither they had spread from England, the native land of the holy Foundress and educator, Mary Ward. Mary Ward had established her Institute in 1609 in Belgium as an uncloistered community to serve the need of the Church in those heretical times. Her nuns were known on the continent as The English Ladies. The Institute conducts Loretto College, University of Toronto, secondary, grade and parochial schools in ten dioceses in the United States and Canada. The oldest present foundation in the United States is Loretto Convent, Englewood, Chicago.

PURPOSE: The Institute in its twofold aim of personal sanctification and the salvation of souls conducts

boarding and day schools for the instruction and formation of girls in the principles of a holy, upright life. Catechetical centres, summer vacation schools, and correspondence courses in religion are recent developments.

QUALIFICATIONS: Young girls:

*between 15 and 30, desirous of consecrating their lives to God for the instruction of youth will find in the Institute scope for all talents and aptitudes.

A complete high school education is a desirable minimum on which to build requirements for different regions.

HABIT: The habit is of black serge; head dress white linen, black non-transparent veil; white linen collar and cuffs; woven cincture; beads with brass chain, and crucifix with brass corpus; silver ring at final profession.

For further information please write to:

Rev. Mother General, Loretto Abbey, Toronto 12, Canada; Loretto Branch Novitiate, Wheaton, Illinois.

SISTERS OF LORETTO AT THE FOOT OF THE CROSS Loretto, Kentucky

HISTORY: The Sisters of Loretto at the Foot of the Cross, the first wholly American sisterhood to begin and continue without foreign affiliation was founded by Rev. Charles Nerinckx in 1812 in Kentucky. It was in this vast unsettled territory that this zealous Belgian missionary toiled heroically to lay strong foundations of Catholicity in America. In covered wagon and stagecoach, the sisters pioneered with the pioneers to bring Christian education to the children of rugged frontier towns. Today, far different from the first log-cabin convent schools are modern Loretto grade and high schools, colleges in which over 1100 sisters teach nearly 35,000 boys and girls in eleven states. The pioneering spirit is still a Loretto heritage. In 1923 it inspired the inauguration of mis-



sions in China, which functioned nobly until the last of 18 sisters were expelled from the country by the communists in 1952.

PURPOSE: The Sisters of Loretto were founded for the Christian education of youth and that continues to be their main work. In addition to teachers, housekeepers, secretaries, librarians, accountants, dietitions, seamstresses and nurses are indispensable to the success of Lorettine educational work and missionary activities.

OUALIFICATIONS:

*Sincere and upright women, between 18 and 30, are eligible as applicants who have good health and an earnest desire to serve God as completely and generously as possible.

*They must be high school graduates.

HABIT: Black serge, made in the form of an ample wrapper, closed in the back and with a yoke in front. From a leather girdle are suspended Beads of the Seven Dolors. A black cape extends to the girdle infront and meets the veil at the shoulders. A plain white collar is worn. The plain veil is faced with white material.

For further information please write to:

The Vocational Counselor, Loretto Motherhouse, Nerinx P.O., Loretto, Kentucky.



SISTERS OF SAIN'T MARTHA OF ST. HYACINTHE Canada

HISTORY: The Institute of the Sisters of St. Martha, which was first approved by the Bishop of Hyacinthe. His Lordship Monseigneur Louis Moreau on November 4, 1890 and later by the Holy See on May 1, 1920, was founded on the feast of the Assumption, in 1883. The Founders of the Congregation were Canon Jean-Remi Ouellette, rector of the seminary and Eleanore Charron, a pious young woman, who had for many years devoted herself to works of charity in the hospitals of St. Hyacinthe. The Sisters, in taking charge of the material needs of priests and religious do the work of Martha; by their daily spiritual exercises and monthly and annual retreats, they seek a life of union with Our Lord like Mary Magdalen. They are represented in the Archdiocese of Chicago and in the Dioceses of Burlington, Fall River, and Manchester.

PURPOSE: The main object of the Institute is the sanctification of its members. The distinguishing mark of the Sisters of St. Martha is their great love of God which urges them to immolate themselves obscurely like their holy patron, in the service of Our Lord. They devote themselves especially to the service of priests and religious who are dedicated to the holy ministry or the education of youth. Thus they share in their apostolate.

QUALIFICATIONS: The following qualifications are required:

- *age: 16-30
- *doctor's medical certificate
- *recommendation of the pastor or director
- *a small dowry, if the candidate is able to furnish it
- *a formal application for admission
- *a knowledge or a desire to learn French.

For further information please write to:

Rev. Mother General, St. Joseph de Hyacinthe, P. Q., Canada.

THE COMPANY OF MARY

HISTORY: The Company of Mary (Order of Notre Dame), pioneer in the field of girl's education, was founded in Bordeaux, France, by St. Jeanne de Lestonnac. It was approved by Cardinal Sourdis, Archbishop of Bordeaux, and received the Papal Brief of approbation a year later on April 8, 1607. On her death, in 1640, the Foundress left to the care of the Order 30 convent-schools. After her death the Order spread to the neighboring Latin countries and to England, the American continents, and lastly to Africa. In 1921, the convents united as the Foundress had originally desired, thus forming an Institute with a Motherhouse in Rome. Since 1926, the Institute has founded a novitiate in Douglas, Arizona, and a number of houses in California.

PURPOSE: The Company of Mary, following the Rules of the Society of Jesus, consecrated itself to train girls (and sometimes groups of boys or women) morally, intellectu-

ally, and spiritually—''for the greater glory of God,'' in colleges, schools, catechetical centers, and in social and missionary works.

QUALIFICATIONS:

- *Candidates, who are accepted into this Community, must have the right intention to serve God, possess good health and be of good moral character.
- *They must be free of all debt and parental responsibility.
- *Although a high school diploma is desired, applicants who have not completed their secondary education, may be received.
- *The dowry is arranged with Superiors.

HABIT: The Sisters wear a black cassock-like habit, with a white lined wimple, black hood, a long, thin, black veil, a six inch crucifix, and a large rosary which hangs from the cincture.

For further information please write to:

Mother Superior, 1047 10th Street, Douglas, Arizona.



THE LITTLE COMPANY OF MARY

HISTORY: The Sisters of the Little Company of Mary, who are an institute of Nursing Sisters, were founded by Mother Mary Potter at Nottingham, England, in 1877, primarily for the purpose of nursing the sick and praying for the dying. Their spiritual life is based on the teaching of St. Louis de Montfort, with an especial devotion to the Maternal Heart of Mary compassionating with her Divine Son on Calvary, and a special zeal for souls in their last agony. Here they impart the same maternal love which Mary offered to her dying Son at the foot of the Cross. From its humble beginning in England, this Community has established foundations in Europe, South America, Africa, Australia, and the United States in 1893, where it is represented in the Archdiocese of Chicago and the Diocese of Fort Wayne.

PURPOSE: The specific aim of the Little Company of Mary is the sanc-

tification of its members. Its secondary purpose is the sanctification of souls through nursing and care for the sick.

QUALIFICATIONS:

*Would you like to become a Nursing Sister and help carry on the magnificent work initiated by Mother Mary Potter?

*The Little Company of Mary now offers you the opportunity to participate in this splendid work.

* Candidates are received between the ages of 18-30.

HABIT: The Sisters of the Little Company of Mary wear a black habit, scapular, and veil. In the hospitals the Sisters wear a white habit.

For further information please write to:

Mistress of Novices, The Little Company of Mary, San Pierre, Indiana.

SERVANTS OF MARY

HISTORY: Devotion to Our Mother of Sorrows, so important in our own age, found its fullest expression at the Foot of the Cross on Calvary. There it was that the beloved apostle and Magdalen consoled Our Ladv and were in a very real sense Servants of Mary. Seven centuries ago Our Lady appeared to seven noblemen of Florence choosing them to found an Order whose first reason for existence is to honor her sorrows. She herself gave them the black habit and scapular which became the distinctive mark of the Servites. St. Juliana Falconieri. the niece of one of the seven holy founders, is venerated as the Foundress of the Third Order, the Sisters, Servants of Mary. In 1893 Mother Mary Gertrude, O.S.M., came from England to Mt. Vernon, Indiana, where she and five other Sisters started the American foundation. At the present time, the Motherhouse of the American Province is in Omaha and mission houses



are located as far ${\bf East}$ as New York State and as far West as Denver.

PURPOSE: To honor the Sorrows of Mary and the Passion of Christ are the chief devotions of the Servants of Mary. To sanctify themselves through the vows of Poverty, Chastity, and Obedience, and through fidelity to the Rule and Constitutions of the Order is the purpose of the religious of the Third Order. Their chief work is the education of youth in grade and secondary schools, and the care of souls through social work.

QUALIFICATIONS: Candidates are accepted if:

- *they have graduated or have completed two years of high school
- *they are in good health and of average intelligence. Postulancy is one year; then after one year as a novice, when she is expected to defray her expenses if possible, the religious makes temporary vows for 3 years. Vows are renewed for two years after which perpetual vows are made.

For further information please write to:

Very Rev., Mother Provincial, O.S.M., Convent of Our Lady of Sorrows, 74th and Military Avenue, Omaha 4, Nebraska; Very Rev., Mother Provincial, O.S.M., Motherhouse of Servants of Mary, Ladysmith, Wisconsin.



SERVANTS OF THE HOLY HEART OF MARY Beaverville, Illinois

HISTORY: In Paris, 1860, at the noted shrine of Our Lady of Victory dedicated to the Heart of Mary, Refuge of Sinners, saintly Father Francois Delaplace, C.S.Sp. conceived his religious family for preserving from vice, the children of the destitute and underprivileged. Cradled in Mary's Heart, animated by the Holy Spirit, "one heart and one soul" in its love of God and neighbor, his spiritual family grew in the shadow of the cross, the flame of family love nourished by the spirit of faith and sacrifice. Father J. Marsile, C.S.V., invited these religious to assist his confreres at St. Viator College, Bourbonnais, Illinois. Eventually, foundations were made in the Archdiocese of Chicago and the Dioceses of Joliet, Peoria, and Little Rock.

PURPOSE: The glory of God through the sanctification of its members and the salvation of souls, under

the maternal care of Mary's Holy Heart. Care of Christ's suffering members in hospitals; Christian education of youth; catechetical and social work in negro missions; administrative, secretarial, and domestic duties.

QUALIFICATIONS:

*Willing heart, docile and upright character, average health and intelligence.

*Subjects are prepared for and assigned to duties according to God-given aptitudes and talents.

* Limited education no barrier.

- *Expenses arranged individually according to circumstances.
- *No worthy candidate is rejected for financial reasons.

*Usual ages, 16-30 (exceptions are sometimes made).

HABIT: Black with cape. Ebony and silver crucifix suspended on azure-blue cord worn over guimpe. Azure cincture, large rosary; a silver ring, pledge of Espousals with the Heavenly Bridegroom, is worn on the left annular finger.

For further information please write to:

Reverend Mother Provincial, Servants of the Holy Heart of Mary, Beaverville, Illinois.

THE SISTERS OF THE HOLY HUMILITY OF MARY Villa Maria, Pennsylvania

HISTORY: The Sisters of the Holy Humility of Mary were founded in France in 1854 to teach poor children in country places. However, their usefulness was so restricted under the godless government of Napoleon III, that they decided to accept the invitation of the first bishop of Cleveland and emigrate to America. The entire Community, numbering ten professed Sisters, accompanied by Father Begel, their Founder, came to the Diocese of Cleveland in 1864 and established their mother house in America at Villa Maria, Pennsylvania, then under the jurisdiction of Cleveland. Until 1943, the Sisters worked exclusively in the Cleveland Diocese, but at present they have houses in the dioceses of Cleveland, Youngstown, and Pittsburgh. The Congregation is now a Pontifical Institute.

PURPOSE: To promote the greater glory of God and sanctify themselves

the Sisters are dedicated to the imitation of the Blessed Virgin in works of Christian charity. These include teaching in grade and high schools, conducting catechetical classes, nursing in hospitals, and performing other works of social service.

QUALIFICATIONS: The candidate must:

- *be between the ages of 16 and 30
- *be of good character and docile disposition
- *have a sound mind, a fitness for the work of the Congregation, and evince a genuine love for the religious life.

HABIT: The Sisters wear a dark blue woolen habit, a white guimpe, and a black veil attached to a white headdress. A medal of the Blessed Virgin hangs below the guimpe.

For further information please write to:

Superior General, Sisters of the Holy Humility of Mary, Villa Maria Convent, Villa Maria, Pennsylvania.



SISTERS, SERVANTS OF MARY Nurses of the Sick

HISTORY: This Congregation came into existence in Madrid, Spain, on August 15, 1851, under the initiative of a secular priest, Rev. Michael Martinez, who conceived the desire of founding a Religious Order of Sisters to dedicate themselves to the service of the sick in their own homes. The Community, which grew rapidly now numbering about 3000 members, with its General House in Rome, has establishments throughout Europe; North and South America. In 1898 approbation of the Constitutions was given by the Holy See and on February 5, 1950, the Foundress Mother Soledad Torres Acosta was beatified. There are five residences in the United States located in New York (2), Los Angeles, New Orleans, and in Kansas City, Kansas.

PURPOSE: The members are divided into two classes: Nurses who do private nursing in the homes and occasionally in the hospitals; and

occasionally in the hospitals; and the Lay Sisters dedicated to domestic work. The purpose is three-fold: to give glory to God, to sanctify the Sisters themselves, and to bring Christ to others. The means to accomplish this purpose are: prayer, the practice of Christian charity towards the sick by offering them zealous and gratuitous nursing care in their own homes; domestic work, and the observance of the three vows.

QUALIFICATIONS: Young girls are accepted who:

*are between 16 and 30

*have graduated from grade, high school, or college

*present the usual certificates required by Canon Law, plus recommendations from the Pastor and the principal of high school or college attended.

A small dowry is requested.

HABIT: The habit is of black serge gathered at the waist by a black leather belt which hangs almost to the hem of the habit. A chaplet of five decades with a crucifix; a cape which reaches beyond the belt, and a white wimple around the hem of which, a rosary and a crucifix is attached complete the religious garb. For further information please write to:

Reverend Mother Provincial, 800 North 18th St., Kansas City 2, Kansas.

SISTERS SERVANTS OF MARY IMMACULATE (Byzantine Greek Catholic Rite)

HISTORY: The Congregation of the Sisters Servants of Mary Immaculate follow the Byzantine Greek Catholic Rite. The General House is in Rome and the Provincial House is in Toronto, Ontario, Canada. It was founded in Western Ukraine in 1892. In 1902, the Sisters came to Canada and established their mission in Edmonton, Alberta. Today the Community has missions in every province in Canada and 19 missions in the Eastern States of the United States of America. The Congregation received its official approbation from the Holy See on the 27th of July 1932.

PURPOSE: The primary purpose of the Community is teaching in grade schools, high schools, and academies. The Sisters conduct day nurseries, orphanages, hospitals, homes for the aged and infirm, homes for girls; they also conduct the culinary departments in

ecclesiastical institutions and give religious instructions to children in rural districts during the summer months.

QUALIFICATIONS: Candidates are accepted into this Community who:

*are between 15 and 35

* have average good health and intelligence.

Usually a small dowry is required but a worthy vocation is never refused because of lack of means.

HABIT: The habit is simple in style of navy blue serge with a scapular of the same material and color. The veil is black.

For further information please write to:

Rev. Mother Superior S.S.M.I., Sisters Servants of Mary Immaculate, 5 Austin Terrace, Toronto, Ontario, Canada.



THE SOCIETY OF MARY REPARATRIX

HISTORY: The Society of Mary Reparatrix dates its foundation from December 8, 1854, the day the Immaculate Conception was proclaimed a dogma of faith. On this day, while Emilie, Baroness d'Hoogvoorst. the Foundress of the Society was praying in her private chapel in Belgium, the Blessed Virgin revealed to her that she wished to see her Divine Son in the Blessed Sacrament surrounded by souls, who would love Him with the tenderness of a Mother, in reparation for all the sacrileges which wound His Sacred Heart. The Society has its Motherhouse in Rome and follows the Rule of St. Ignatius. Convents of the Order have been founded in Europe, North and South America. and the Foreign Missions. United States Province founded in 1908 comprises four houses situated in New York, Fultonville, Cincinnati, and Detroit, the American Novitiate.

PURPOSE: The aim of the Society

is to make reparation to God for the sins of men and for the sacrileges committed against Our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament. According to the desire of Our Blessed Mother each religious working in union with her must strive to become another Mary for Jesus. The Blessed Sacrament remains exposed all day.

QUALIFICATIONS:

*The applicants must be generous, firm and docile in character, and possess good health.

*The choir religious, who recite Office and help with the retreats and catechetical instructions, are expected to have had an educational background sufficient to prepare them to carry out their duties with prudence and maturity.

HABIT: According to the wish expressed by Our Blessed Mother all the religious wear a white woolen dress and sky-blue scapular. The choir religious wear a blue veil and the coadjutrix Sisters a white one.

For further information please write to:

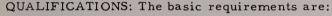
Rev. Mother Provincial, Convent of Mary Reparatrix, 3350 Ruther Ave., Cincinnati 20, Ohio.

DAUGHTERS OF ST. MARY OF PROVIDENCE Chicago, Illinois

HISTORY: The Congregation of the Daughters of St. Mary of Providence, which is under the direct protection of the Holy See, was founded in Italy in 1872 by Don Luigi Guanella, co-worker of Don Bosco, to labor among the world's destitute, abandoned, and mentally handicapped. Upon archdiocesan invitation six Sisters left Rome, Italy, and arrived in Chicago in 1913, to teach, nurse, and do welfare work among the proselytized Italians. The Congregation, which now numbers more than 1500 Sisters scattered throughout its 100 Institutes, is engaged in educational, hospital, charitable, and social work in the archdioceses of Chicago and Philadelphia, and the diocese of Sioux Falls.

PURPOSE: The purpose of the Congregation is to glorify God and to do His work by helping His poor, caring for His sick, and training His youth. It has taken as its special

work—its vocation within a vocation—the care of His handicapped children.



- *dedication to God's will
- *health of mind and body.

There is a place for every talent.

HABIT: The daughters of St. Mary wear a black habit, with a short cape, a white slightly visible collar and a cap of black tibet. A crucifix of white metal containing a relic is worn suspended from from the neck.

For further information please write to:

Mistress of Novices, St. Mary of Providence Institute, 4242 N. Austin Avenue, Chicago 34, Illinois.



SISTERS OF SAINT MARY

HISTORY: To satisfy the need for Catholic education in the Northwest the Congregation of the Sisters of Saint Mary was founded at Sublimity. Oregon, in 1886, by Most Reverend William H. Gross, Archbishop of Oregon City. Two years later the pioneer community opened its first parish school in Sublimity. By March 1891, the steady growth in membership warranted their taking charge of an orphanage just established at Beaverton, Oregon. Other parish schools and academies were opened as the Catholic population increased and parishes were established. In 1930 a permanent Motherhouse, including a novitiate and a residence school for girls, was erected at St. Mary's of the Valley, eight miles west of Portland. The decree of final approbation was granted to the Community by Pope Pius XI, May 1, 1934, at which time the Constitutions were approved and confirmed. The Sisters are consecrated to the honor of Mary, Mother

of God and cherish a special devotion to the Most Precious Blood.

PURPOSE: The special end of the Sisters of Saint Mary is the education of youth in parochial schools, academies, and missions. It is their particular care to train boys and girls in Christian social living; and, at the same time, to give them a thorough education in secular subjects. At the present time the Sisters conduct twenty elementary and secondary schools in the Archdiocese.

QUALIFICATIONS: Any girl may apply who has:

*completed her fifteenth year

* the spiritual, mental, and physical qualifications for community life

*at least three years of high school (secondary training is not necessary for those interested in domestic work). The question of finances should not deter any applicant from seeking admission.

HABIT: The holy garb consists of a black habit, scapular, crucifix, rosary, cincture and veil; the collar and headclothes are white. Each Professed Sister receives a gold ring symbolizing her union with Christ.

For further information please write to:

Reverend Mother General, Saint Mary's of the Valley, Beaverton, Oregon.

SISTERS OF SAINT MARY St. Louis, Missouri

HISTORY: Forced to leave France at the outbreak of the Franco-Prussian War, and unable to establish a religious community in her native Bavaria because of the Kulturkamp, Mother Mary Odilia, together with five companions, set sail for a new land and arrived in St. Louis, Missouri, November 16. 1872—the birthday of the Congregation of the Sisters of Saint Mary. Begging alms by day and caring for the sick at night, the Sisters were arduous in dispensing charity to the sick and poor in their homes, and offered themselves as willing victims for Christ's afflicted ones in the plague-stricken yellow fever districts of the South. Later, circumstances became such that the field of institutional nursing claimed the attention of the Sisters more and more exclusively, and gradually nursing in homes was abandoned. As year succeeded year, the Providence of God continued to bless



the little but growing Community which, at present, conducts thirteen hospitals and four schools of nursing.

PURPOSE: Living her vows of Poverty, Chastity, and Obedience, the Sister of Saint Mary strives to give herself completely to Christ through His brethren whom she serves, by engaging in actual bedside nursing and in many allied tasks such as pharmacy, laboratory technology, radiology, dietetics, medical record library, physical medicine, occupational therapy, teaching, secretarial and domestic work.

QUALIFICATIONS: Young women between 15 and 35 are eligible to enter who have:

- *good health
- *average mental ability
- *self sacrificing spirit

*and a desire to do something big for God.

A nominal sum is requested for dowry and clothing, but insufficient means is not an obstacle to one's giving herself to God and His work in this Congregation.

HABIT: The Sisters wear a black habit, a crucifix, a Rosary of the Seven Joys suspended from a red wool cincture, and a gold ring. For further information please write to:

Mother Mary Concordia, S.S.M., Mother General, Motherhouse of the Sisters of Saint Mary, 1100 Bellevue Avenue, St. Louis 17, Missouri.



SISTERS OF SAINT MARY OF NAMUR

HISTORY: The Institute of the Sisters of St. Mary was founded by the Rev. Nicholas Joseph Minsart in Namur, Belgium, in 1819. In 1863, the first American foundation was made in Lockport, New York, in the diocese of Buffalo. Another decade saw the Sisters in Texas and in 1886, a little group went up into Canada. Today there are three American Provinces whose motherhouses are located in Kenmore, a suburb of Buffalo, New York, in Fort Worth, Texas, and in Ottawa, Canada. In September 1948, the Sisters of the Eastern Province opened St. Jude's Mission for colored children in Sumter, South Carolina, where in evening classes the Sisters also teach adults. In addition, the Sisters of St. Marv have schools in England and North Wales as well as a wide mission field in the Belgian Congo.

PURPOSE: The purpose of the Institute is the glory of God and the

sanctification of its members through active participation in the field of education. Training classes, approved by the New York State Department of Education are held at Mt. St. Mary, Kenmore. In Washington, D. C., St. Mary's House of Study is maintained for the Sisters pursuing higher studies at Catholic University. Studies are also pursued in colleges and universities in the United States, Canada, and Europe.

QUALIFICATIONS: Candidates, 15 to 30, who are accepted into this Community must:

*have supernatural motives, a generous good will as well as average physical, emotional, and mental health

*furnish certificates of birth, Baptism, Confirmation, together with a recommendation of the Pastor.

HABIT: The Sisters wear a black habit, scapular and veil with a white bandeau, headpiece and collar. At the belt on the right side is worn a long black rosary to which is attached a miraculous medal.

For further information please write to:

Rev. Mother Provincial, Mount St. Mary, 3756 Delaware Ave., Kenmore, N. Y.; Rev. Mother Provincial, Our Lady of Victory College, 3300 So. Hemphill St., Forth Worth 4, Texas.

SISTERS OF ST. MARY OF THE PRESENTATION

HISTORY: This Congregation, which was established in 1828 through the zealous labor of Father Joachim Fleury and with the collaboration of Mother St. Louis and Mother St. Andre, had its humble beginning in Broons, France. When the persecution broke out in France in 1902, the Sisters seeking new fields of labor established foundations in Belgium, Holland, England, Canada, and the United States. Since their first foundation in the United States in 1903, the Sisters of St. Mary have formed two provinces whose houses are found in Baltimore, New Orleans, Washington, Fargo, Peoria, and Chicoutimi, Canada.

PURPOSE: The primary aim of the Institute is the sanctification of its members by the observance of the vows of Poverty, Chastity, and Obedience, as expressed in the Constitution and Rules. The secondary aim is the salvation of souls by means of Christian education, and the care of the sick and the aged.



QUALIFICATIONS:

* Candidates should be between the ages of 16 and 30.

*Each must have a doctor's health report.

*The applicant must keep herself supplied with personal clothing and incidental requisites until the end of her novitiate (2 yrs.)

*Following the novitiate, temporary vows are made for three years and renewed for another triennium during

which perpetual vows are pronounced.

For further information please write to:

Rev. Mother Provincial, St. Catherine's Convent, Valley City, No. Dakota; Rev. Mother Provincial, St. Margaret Convent, Spring Valley, Illinois.



CORDI-MARIAN MISSIONARY SISTERS San Antonio, Texas

HISTORY: The Cordi-Marian Missionary Sisters also known as the Missionary Sisters of the Immaculate Heart of Mary were founded in Mexico, in 1921 by a Claretian priest, the Rev. Julian Collel. C.M.F., and Rev. Mother Carmen Serrano, M.C.M. Due to the religious persecution in Mexico, the Sisters came to the United States where they founded their first establishment at Martindale, Texas, September 24, 1926. The Community today is represented in the Archdioceses of Chicago and San Antonio, the Archdiocese of Mexico, and the Dioceses of Leon and Cuernavaca, Mexico. The Motherhouse is in San Antonio and the Novitiate is in Mexico, where the members of the Congregation are trained and prepared for missionary work.

PURPOSE: The Cordi-Marian Sisters, who take the simple vows of Poverty, Chastity, and Obedience,

strive for God's glory and the sanctification of their souls and those of others by: imparting religious instruction to young and old; teaching in school, and spreading good literature.

QUALIFICATIONS: Young ladies between 15-30 are accepted who:

* have a true inclination to missionary work or else a liking to the work done by the Sisters in school or spreading good literature.

*Those who are eager in winning souls for Christ will find a vast field of action in either of these occupations.

* Candidates must present a doctor's certificate.

For further information please write to:

Rev. Mother General, 2910 Morales St., San Antonio 7, Texas.

FRANCISCAN MISSIONARIES OF MARY

HISTORY: The Institute of the Franciscan Missionaries of Mary was founded exclusively for missionary work by the Foundress, Mother Mary of the Passion. The new Congregation received the official approbation of the Holy See in 1896. Today there are 8,820 Sisters divided among 395 Convents, scattered throughout the entire world in 55 countries. In China, Blessed Mary Hermine and her companions, who were martyred there during the Chinese persecution in 1900, were beatified in 1946. Since 1904, the Franciscan Missionaries of Mary have been active in Missionary work in the United States conducting catechism classes, day nurseries, visiting hospitals, as well as other works of charity.

PURPOSE: The aim is twofold: expiation and the apostolate. Poverty and prayer characterize their missionary life, while they bend every effort to help souls by edu-

cational work in 239 schools; care of the sick and lepers in 92 hospitals; social and catechetical work (165 catechetical centers) and 157 dispensaries. To the three vows of Obedience, Poverty, and Chastity, the Sisters add at their final profession the offering of themselves as victims for the Church and for souls.

OUALIFICATIONS:

- *Applicants 16-30 are accepted as postulants.
- *Mission zeal—good health and certain papers of recommendation.
- *Because of the variety of activity, no girl will be rejected provided she comes with the above two qualifications.
- *The Institute conducts a juniorate where teen-age girls may finish high school.
- *Pious persons between 30 and 40 may be received as associate members.
- *Trained teachers, nurses, and those with special talents or abilities are urgently invited to work for Christ in the Mission Field as Missionaries.

HABIT: Unlike other Franciscans, the Missionaries of Mary wear white.

For further information please write to:

Rev. Mother Superior, Franciscan Missionaries of Mary, 399 Fruit Hill Ave., North Providence 11, Rhode Island.



FRANCISCAN MISSIONARY SISTERS OF OUR LADY OF SORROWS

HISTORY: The Franciscan Missionary Sisters of Our Lady of Sorrows was first organized as a diocesan Community by Rt. Rev. Raphael Palazzi, O.F.M., at Hengyang, Hunan, China, in 1936. It was the daily prayer of His Excellency, to obtain American Missionary Sisters to train and support these Chinese Sisters whom God called to his Community. In 1947, His Excellency, Archbishop Anthony Riberi, Apostolic Internuncio, in China, requested the Missionary Sisters of St. Francis of the Holy Family, who were forced to leave their mission in Chowtsun, due to the occupation of the Communists, to confer with Rt. Rev. Bishop Palazzi at Hengyang before leaving China. As a result of this conference, and under the direction of the Apostolic Internuncio, four of the American Missionary Sisters of St. Francis, with the Chinese Sisters at Hengyang,

organized the present Community of the Franciscan Missionary Sisters of Our Lady of Sorrows.

PURPOSE: The Sisters follow in the footsteps of St. Francis in living after the manner of the Gospel, joyfully carrying the evangelical message to all nations, by teaching and conducting retreat houses for women in America, and in foreign fields, adding any means necessary to reach souls, such as conducting hospitals, and dispensaries.

QUALIFICATIONS:

* Candidates must be between 16 and 26.

*The essential requirements are a religious vocation, a spirit of sacrifice, and a cheerful willingness to adapt oneself to the various circumstances of mission life.

*The applicant must be in good health and must have finished high school before she receives the habit.

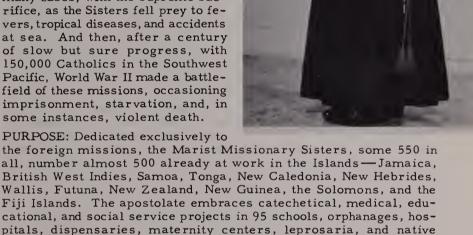
HABIT: The Sisters wear a simple black serge habit, a scapular and a white cord with three knots. The veil is black, arranged upon a white coronet. A small white guimpe completes the dress.

For further information please write to:

Sister Superior, St. Clare Convent, 2381 Laurel Glen Rd., Santa Cruz, California.

MARIST MISSIONARY SISTERS (Missionary Sisters of the Society of Mary)

HISTORY: The Marist Missionary Sisters (Missionary Sisters of the Society of Mary) trace their origin to the valiant Tertiaries who set sail from France for Oceania in 1845 and 1857 as auxiliaries of the Marist Fathers. The apostolate among the women and children of the countless tribes of barbarous cannibals was bravely undertaken by a mere handful of women. Years of obscurity, isolation, and toil in the mission schools, orphanages and dispensaries were climaxed, in many cases, with the supreme sacrifice, as the Sisters fell prey to fevers, tropical diseases, and accidents Pacific, World War II made a battlefield of these missions, occasioning some instances, violent death.



OUALIFICATIONS:

novitiates.

- *Age: 17-35.
- *Motives: good will, love of God, spirit of sacrifice and good health.
- *Preparation: 6 months postulancy—2 years novitiate is followed by the three simple vows.
- *After profession: special training and study prepares the Sisters to be doctors, nurses, teachers, pharmacologists, pathologists, technicians, artists, typists, cooks, and allaround missionaries.

HABIT: The habit is black; its outstanding features being the blue-bordered cape, the fluted coronet, and the blue cord and cincture.

For further information please write to:

Marist Mission Center, 863 Central Street, Framingham Centre, Massachusetts.



SISTERS OF THE ORDER OF MERCY

HISTORY: The Sisters of the Order of Mercy were founded by Mother Mary Catherine Mc Auley (1787-1841) in Dublin, Ireland. on December 12, 1831. Four years later, in 1835, the Sisters of Mercy received the official Papal approbation from Pope Gregory XVI. The Sisters of Mercy spread rapidly throughout the world: in Ireland, England, New Zealand, Australia, Newfoundland, South America, Mexico, West Indies, and in the United States in 1843. where they are found in almost every state in the Union. Although many of the houses are independent units of Pontifical right, there is perfect accord and harmony among them; the Sisters of Mercy are spiritually one, for the spirit of their Foundress, Mother Mc Auley, lives in every Religious of the Order of Mercy.

PURPOSE: The title "Sisters of Mercy" was specifically chosen by Mother Catherine Mc Auley in 1828

because she desired to make the works of Mercy the distinctive mark of her Congregation. Uniting the active with the contemplative life, the Sisters seek not only their own personal sanctification through the three vows of Poverty, Chastity, and Obedience, but they are also engaged in all the works of mercy: visiting the sick and imprisoned, managing hospitals, orphanages, infant asylums, schools, colleges, and homes for the aged, poor, and distressed women.

QUALIFICATIONS:

- *Age: candidates should be under 30 (Exceptions will be made for good reasons).
- * Aspirants must be of good health, intelligent, and have an excellent character.
- *Applicants must present certificates of Baptism, Confirmation, and a written recommendation from their Pastor.
- *She should have a love for the poor and afflicted, or the desire to help them. Though her aptitudes will be given consideration, she must be willing to cooperate in any work of mercy assigned by her superiors.

HABIT: The habit is black wool, plaited at the waist; a cincture of black leather, a black veil, rosary, and a silver ring complete the habit of the Professed Mercy Sister.

For further information please write to the Rev. Mother Superior at any one of the following Congregations of the Sisters of Mercy:

N.B. Each of the Congregations listed below are independent units of Pontifical right.

California - Convent of Our Lady of Mercy, Auburn, California; Convent of Our Lady of Mercy, 2300 Adeline Dr., Burlingame, California; Connecticut-St. Joseph's Convent of Mercy, 160 Farmington Ave., Hartford, Connecticut; Iowa-Sacred Heart Convent, Elmhurst Dr., Cedar Rapids, Iowa; Maine-St. Joseph's Convent, 605 Stevens Ave., Portland 5, Maine; Massachusetts-St. Gabriel's Convent of Our Lady of Mercy, 46 High St., Worcester, Massachusetts; New Hampshire -Mt. St. Mary's Convent, 435 Union St., Manchester, New Hampshire; New Jersey-Motherhouse, Sisters of Mercy, State Highway No. 29 at Tirrell Rd., North Plainfield, New Jersey; New York--Convent of Mercy, 634 New Scotland Ave., Albany, New York; St. Francis Convent, Sisters of Mercy, 273 Willoughby Ave., Brooklyn 5, New York; Convent of Our Lady of Mercy, 625 Abbot Rd., Buffalo 20, New York; Motherhouse of the Sisters of Mercy, 1437 Blossom Rd., Brighton Station, Rochester, New York; North Carolina—Sacred Heart Convent, Belmont, North Carolina; Pennsylvania-St. Joseph's Convent, 512 W. Main St., Titusville, Pennsylvania; Motherhouse of the Sisters of Mercy, Merion, Pennsylvania; St. Mary's Convent, 3333 Fifth Ave., Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania; Vermont-Mt. St. Mary's Academy, Mansfield Ave., Burlington, Vermont;

The following belong to the Sisters of Mercy of the Union in the $U.\ S.\ A.$

Motherhouse—Rev. Mother General R.S.M., Villa Mercy, 9800 Kentsdale Dr., Bethesda P.O. Washington 14, D. C.; Baltimore Province—Provincial House, Holy Family Convent, Mt. Washington 9, Maryland; Chicago Province—Provincial House, 4845 Ellis Ave., Chicago 15, Illinois; Cincinnati Province—Provincial House, 2220 Victory Parkway, Cincinnati 6, Ohio; Detroit Province—Provincial House, 8200 West Outer Drive, Detroit 19, Michigan; New York Province—Provincial House, Wilson Park, Tarrytown, New York; Omaha Province—Provincial House, 3506 Hawthorne Ave., Omaha 3, Nebraska; Providence Province—Provincial House, Manville P.O., Providence, Rhode Island; St. Louis Province—Provincial House, 723 Laclede Station Rd., Webster Groves 19, Missouri; Scranton Province—Provincial House, Villa St. Teresa, Dallas, Pennsylvania;



THE MEDICAL MISSION SISTERS Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

HISTORY: The Society of Catholic Medical Missionaries was founded in 1925, in Washington, D. C. by Dr. Anna Dengel, with the help of the Rev. Michael A. Mathis, C.S.C. In 1920, Dr. Dengel went to Rawalpindi, India, to take charge of a hospital for women and children. During her work there, she came face to face with a tremendous amount of unrelieved and preventable suffering. To her it was the discovery of vast new fields of charity—calling for devoted, medically trained Catholic women. To bring this to the attention of Catholics, Dr. Dengel came to the United States in 1924. This led to the foundation of the Society one year later. In the 25 years of its existence 13 medical mission centers have been established in Pakistan. India, Indonesia, Africa, South America, and the United States.

PURPOSE: The purpose of the Congregation is best summed up in the

name—Medical Mission Sisters. As religious, they aim to follow Christ by the observance of the three simple vows; as mission-aries, to help plant the Church by providing hospitals, dispensaries, maternity and child welfare centers, leprosaria, etc.; as doctors, pharmacists, nurses, technicians, etc., to dedicate their professional life and work to God for the good of humanity without distinction of race, color, or creed.

QUALIFICATIONS: Requirements for admission are:

*a sincere desire to devote one's life to God in the service of the sick

*age limit 30 years (exceptions are made in suitable cases)

*professional training while desirable is not necessary; those who enter after high school or college are trained by the Society

* the scope of our work calls for Sisters devoted to essential non-medical work viz., journalism, office and promotional work, bookkeeping, and housekeeping.

HABIT: The Sisters wear a simple grey habit and scapular with a silver crucifix, rosary, and a blue veil.

For further information please write to:

Mother Anna Dengel, M.D., 8400 Pine Road, Fox Chase, Philadelphia 11, Pennsylvania.

MINIM DAUGHTERS OF MARY IMMACULATE

HISTORY: The Congregation of the Minim Daughters of Mary Immaculate was founded on March 25, 1886, by the Rev. Archdeacon Pablo de Anda, in Leon, Guanajuato, Mexico. The Decretum Laudis was granted by the Holy See on May 15, 1913; the approbation Ad Septenium, on January 16, 1933, and the final approbation was granted on January 21, 1941. The Motherhouse is located in the City of Leon, Guanajuato, Mexico. The Community has established foundations in Mexico. Cuba, and in the United States, where they are represented in the Archdiocese of San Antonio, and the Diocese of Tucson.

PURPOSE: The general aim of the Congregation is the glory of God and the sanctification of its members. The particular aims are; the care of the sick in hospitals, teaching; and the care of infants and the aged in institutions.



QUALIFICATIONS:

* Candidates must show signs of a true vocation.

*They must belong to an honorable, Catholic family.

*Applicants must be in good physical and mental health, and possess the necessary intellectual ability to accomplish the works of the Community.

HABIT: The habit is black with a paneled skirt, a white wimple, a black veil, and a little cape. The Sisters also wear a little crucifix on the chest and a big rosary on the left side. On special occasions the Sisters wear a scapular with the emblem of the Congregation embroidered in golden silk, and a long white cape.

For further information please write to:

Mother General, Leon, Guanajuato, Mexico.



SISTERS OF MISERICORDE Montreal, Canada

HISTORY: The Congregation of the Sisters of Misericorde was founded in Montreal, Canada, in 1848 by Bishop Ignace Bourget and Marie Rosalie Cadron-Jette, for the rehabilitation of unwed mothers and the care of their unfortunate offspring until they are placed in foster homes. In 1900, the first General Hospital was opened in Green Bay, Wisconsin. Hospitals are now established in the Archdioceses of New York, Chicago, Milwaukee, Los Angeles, the Dioceses of Green Bay, Wisconsin, Springfield, Illinois, and in various Provinces of Canada. The Community conducts sanatoriums for tuberculous, homes for preschool children and orphanages.

PURPOSE: The primary purpose of this Congregation is to glorify God by striving for sanctity in the practice of the three simple vows of Poverty, Chastity, and Obedience. The Secondary aim is the salvation of souls through the regeneration of

girls, the saving of abandoned children, the care of the sick in sanatoriums and general hospitals, the work of closed retreats, and the education of pre-school age children.

QUALIFICATIONS: Young women, 17 to 30, are accepted who possess:

*good health, sound judgment, true piety, and great generosity.

Although applicants provide their own clothing and tuition, during the postulancy and Novitiate (2 years)—lack of financial means is never an obstacle to a real vocation. A limited education is no barrier to entrance, for educational advantages are given to those who have some secondary training.

HABIT: The habit is of black serge, the headdress of white linen. A black rosary and black tassels are suspended on the left side of the skirt. Professed Sisters wear a silver cross and those with perpetual vows a silver ring.

For further information please write to:

Rev. Sister Superior, 531 East 86th St., New York 28, New York; Rev. Mother General, Sisters of Misericorde, 12435 St. Croix St., Cartierville, Montreal 9, P. Q.; Rev. Sister Superior, Oak Park Hospital, Oak Park, Illinois.

MISSION HELPERS OF THE SACRED HEART

HISTORY: The Mission Helpers of the Sacred Heart were founded in Baltimore, Maryland, in 1890 by Mother M. Demetrias, with the approval of His Eminence, Cardinal Gibbons. A Pontifical Congregation, whose members, as Catechists, in the spirit of the meek and humble Heart of Christ, seek to extend the Kingdom of the Sacred Heart through formal classes of religious instruction for children of public grade and high schools; private instructions; inquiry and convert classes; the training of lay catechists; the parish census; parish and institution visiting; and the various activities of the Confraternity of Christian Doctrine. Mission Centers of the Congregation now function in eight Archdioceses and fourteen Dioceses of the United States, and in the two dioceses of Puerto Rico.

PURPOSE: The aim of the Congregation, embodied in the motto Adveniat Regnum Tuum is to restore,

strengthen, and extend full Catholic life in the family and in the individual, for the greater glory of the Sacred Heart, through the teaching of Christian Doctrine.

QUALIFICATIONS:

- *A zealous desire to make the Sacred Heart known and loved.
- *A willingness to do any work undertaken by the Congregation, and health sufficient to share in these activities.

*At least a high school education.

HABIT: The habit is black with a scapular extending half-way down the habit; a cincture with a five-decade rosary; a long black veil over a stiff, square-shaped white cap; a white circular collar; a silver crucifix; a gold ring. A white habit is worn in Puerto Rico.

For further information please write to:

Rev. Mother Superior, 1001 West Joppa Road, Baltimore (Towson) 4, Maryland.



MISSION SISTERS OF THE HOLY GHOST

HISTORY: The Society of Mission Sisters of the Holy Ghost was established in the United States at the request of Archbishop Schrembs in 1923, who had seen the work of a similar community in Europe, founded and directed by the Most Reverend Ottokar Prohaska. Two Sisters, at the Archbishop's request, were sent to this country to train American girls in this work. which seemed to fill a vital need here. In 1932, the Constitutions, drawn up by the Reverend Francis Betten, S.J., and patterned after those composed by St. Ignatius, were approved by the Holy See. At present the Sisters work in the Diocese of Tucson, where the Motherhouse is located, and in Saginaw, Michigan. In September 1951 another house was opened in the St. Cloud, Minnesota Diocese.

PURPOSE: In addition to laboring for her own sanctification, the purpose of the Mission Sister is to

reach by Catholic Social Service (religious instruction, home visitation, settlement, playground and camp work, medical and maternity clinics, and other similar activities) persons in need of these services.

QUALIFICATIONS: Specific qualifications of applicants are:

*age: 18-30

*possession of good health—normal intelligence

*sincere desire to devote their lives to God's service in this Society

*they must have completed high school

*experience in the business, professional or teaching world, although not necessary, is desirable.

HABIT: At present the Sisters wear a dark blue two-piece dress with a lighter blue blouse, and a navy blue hat. The Rule provides that the uniform should change according to modest fashion. In the Chapel the Sisters wear a long black veil.

For further information please write to:

Vocational Director, Missionary Sisters of the Holy Ghost, 86 West 4th St., Mesa, Arizona; Vocational Director, Mission Sisters, 923 North 7th St., Saginaw, Michigan.

MISSIONARY CANONESSES OF SAINT AUGUSTINE New York, N. Y.

HISTORY: "Helping to build the Church of Christ in pagan lands"-The inspiration for this motto and ideal of the Missionary Canonesses of St. Augustine came from the venerated Mother Marie Louise, Foundress of the Congregation. With only one companion, she set out in 1897 from Belgium for India, to take over an orphanage. Her success in helping to heal the bodies and souls of Christ's poor and afflicted spread from India to the Philippines 1910; and thence to the Virgin Islands, 1914; Congo, 1920; the British West Indies, 1922; and China, 1923. More than one thousand of her spiritual daughters are continuing her work today over four continents, including the Houses established in this country, New York City, 1919; Menands, Albany, 1946; Philadelphia, Pa., 1927; Los Angeles, Cal., 1945, and San Antonio, Texas, 1949.



PURPOSE: The spirit which animates the Congregation is essentially apostolic: A dedication to Foreign Missions. The work of the Canonesses is as varied as the people to whom they minister: schools and colleges, dispensaries, maternity hospitals, general hospitals, orphanages, leprosaria, catechising, social service, and the training of Native Sisters.

QUALIFICATIONS: Here are the basic qualities that will fit any young lady for her tasks as a Missionary:

* good will

*and the three c's—courage, cheerfulness, and common sense.

Postulancy is six months—Novitiate is 2 years. After this the young Professed starts upon a course of studies to prepare more proximately for her apostolic work. If she has finished these studies before entering, she may leave for her chosen or assigned Mission.

HABIT: The Canonesses wear a white habit and scapular, a black veil and cloak, a small silver Cross, a narrow gold ring and a black rosary.

For further information please write to:

Reverend Mother Superior, St. Augustine's Novitiate, 96 Menands Road, Menands, Albany 4, New York.



MISSIONARY SERVANTS OF THE MOST BLESSED TRINITY

HISTORY: The Missionary Servants of the Most Blessed Trinity, an American Community of some thirty odd years, grew out of a Lay Apostolate movement organized by the late Very Reverend Thomas A. Judge, C.M., in Brooklyn, N. Y., in · 1909. These pioneer Catholic Action groups multiplied under the zealous leadership of Father Judge and produced another religious community for the Church. From a humble beginning in the backwoods of Alabama, the Sisterhood has now reached out to 54 foundations with 220 mission centers in the United States. Puerto Rico, and Cuba. 410 Sisters are now laboring in four archdioceses and eighteen dioceses for the preservation of the Faith among the red, yellow, black, and white races.

PURPOSE: Preservation of the Faith as distinct from Propagation—among the abandoned in congested centers of large cities; in scattered rural and mining districts; in ne-

glected sections of the South and in the West Indies. Works: settlement houses; recreational work; Catholic Charity Bureaus; home visiting, and catechetical work.

QUALIFICATIONS:

*Age-16-30 years; high school or its equivalent.

*Papers—Letter of recommendation from Pastor or confessor; Baptism, Confirmation, health certificates.

*Dowry—A small dowry is usually required.

*Entrance Dates - February 11th; August 5th.

*A love for those spiritually and materially handicapped shown by willingness to do the work listed in Community activities.

HABIT: A black garb, simply tailored with a cincture having three tabs significant of the vows of Poverty, Chastity, and Obedience; black buttons, white collar and cuffs. Black hat and coat worn when visiting.

For further information please write to:

Reverend Mother Mary Francis, M.S.B.T., Blessed Trinity Mother Missionary Cenacle, 3501 Solly Street, Philadelphia 36, Pennsylvania.

MISSIONARY SERVANTS OF THE MOST HOLY EUCHARIST New Orleans, Louisiana

HISTORY: The Missionary Servants of the Most Holy Eucharist were founded by two young ladies in Amite, Louisiana, in 1927 under the direction of His Excellency, the late Most Reverend John W. Shaw, Archbishop of New Orleans. They realized the need for catechists to reach the public school children, and the good that could be accomplished by visiting the poor and the sick in their homes. Since 1935 the Community has been under the direction of His Excellency, Most Reverend Joseph Francis Rummel, S.T.D., Archbishop of New Orleans, and it is at present carrying on its work in the Archdiocese of New Orleans, and in the Dioceses of Lafayette, Louisiana, and Tucson, Arizona. It is also conducting religious vacation schools in the dioceses of Natchez, Miss., Galveston and Austin, Texas, and Gallup, New Mexico.



PURPOSE: To honor and adore Jesus in the Most Blessed Sacrament and to spread the Eucharistic Kingdom of Christ on earth. To teach Christian Doctrine to children and adults; moderate so-dalities and discussion clubs; visit the homes, encourage the negligent and sick to receive the Sacraments; conduct religious vacation schools; take census.

QUALIFICATIONS: A prospective Missionary must be:

- *willing to give herself to the service of Our Lord in the Most Holy Eucharist
- *at least 16 and not over 30
- * of good character
- * sound in mind and body
- * of good will and have a true love for God.

HABIT: Sisters wear a white habit and white veil. When traveling a black veil is added. Postulants wear a navy blue jumper, white waist, and a black veil. Both wear black mantles in winter.

For further information please write to:

Reverend Mother General, Missionary Servants of the Most Holy Eucharist, 3453 Magazine Street, New Orleans 15, Louisiana.



MISSIONARIES OF OUR LADY OF MERCY Kansas City, Missouri

HISTORY: The Missionaries of Our Lady of Mercy belong to the Order of Our Lady of Mercy founded by St. Peter Nolasco in Barcelona, Spain, in 1218. In 1926 they branched out as a Missionary Congregation keeping, however, the privileges of the ancient Order, such as, the chanting of the Divine Office in all the Houses where the Community is numerous enough to do so, without causing detriment to its missionary activities. Likewise, daily Exposition of the Most Blessed Sacrament is held, and all the members participate in the adoration to pray for the propagation of the Faith throughout the world. The Mother house is in Spain.

PURPOSE: The main purpose of the Congregation, while it conducts schools in Christian nations, is to expand the Faith in pagan countries, where its members engage in all sorts of apostolate; dispensaries,

orphanages, workshops etc., and foreign missions in China, Japan, and the South Sea Islands.

QUALIFICATIONS:

*In this religious Congregation, composed of choir and lay Nuns, applicants may be accepted up to the age of 36, but for good reasons, exceptions are made.

*It is desirable that the applicant should have completed high school; this is required if she aspires to be a choir

HABIT: The habit is white, with a black cincture that hangs down the left side, and a full-length scapular. A medallion bearing the coat-of-arms of the Order is worn on the breast. Choir Nuns wear a black veil; lay Nuns, white. For receiving Holy Communion and for other solemn ceremonies all wear over their habit a full white mantle.

For further information please write to:

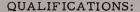
Rev. Mother Superior, Missionaries of Our Lady of Mercy, 914 East 9th St., Kansas City 6, Missouri.

MISSIONARY SISTERS OF ST. CHARLES BORROMEO Melrose Park, Illinois

HISTORY: The Congregation of the Missionary Sisters of St. Charles Borromeo (also known as the Scalabrinians) was founded in 1895 in Piacenza, Italy, by Bishop John Baptist Scalabrini. In the short space of 50 years, 60 Houses have founded on three continents, Europe, South America, and the United States, with approximately 1,100 Sisters. The Motherhouse has been established in Sao Paulo, Brazil. Four Novitiates also have been opened. In 1941 Mother Borromea Ferraresi, Mother General, sent four Sisters under the guidance of Mother M. Caetana to Melrose Park, Ill., where in June, 1948, a Novitiate was opened.

PURPOSE: The Missionary Sisters of St. Charles Borromeo are engaged in work of every kind, such as, teaching in schools and academies, operating nurseries and hospitals, taking care of the aged, and

working in orphanages and girls' vocational schools.



*Age: 15-30.

- *Candidates who are beyond the age limit may be accepted only by the approval and with the permission of the Holy See.
- *The Aspirant must provide her own clothing during the terms of her postulancy and Novitiate $(2\frac{1}{2} \text{ years})$.

*The Community has but one class of Sisters.

For further information please write to:

Rev. Mother Superior, Bishop Scalabrini Novitiate, 1414 N. 37th Ave., Melrose Park, Illinois.



MISSIONARY SISTERS OF SAINT COLUMBAN

HISTORY: The Missionary Sisters of Saint Columban were founded in Ireland in 1922. After Father Edward Galvin, Founder of the Columban Fathers, and now Bishop of Hanyang had spent a brief period in China, he became aware of the great need there for Missionary Sisters. On his return to Ireland, he called the attention of the Irish people to this need. There were many volunteers. A group of twelve banded themselves together and these formed the nucleus of the new Congregation. The Motherhouse is in Cahiracon, Co. Clare, Ireland. Here the prospective Missionaries were trained in the rudiments of the religious life by the Irish Sisters of Charity, who handed on to them their own Rule, that of St. Ignatius. The Congregation has Missions in China, Burma, and the Philippines.

PURPOSE: To labor for the salvation of souls especially in heathen

countries. To minister to the spiritual and corporal needs of the peoples among whom they are sent (schools, hospitals, dispensaries, orphanages, etc..). To labor amongst Catholics of the Oriental Rite.

QUALIFICATIONS: Young girls 17 to 30 are accepted into this Community who:

*have completed their high school course

*are possessed of the other qualities essential for a Missionary Sister: a right intention, ordinary health, average intelligence, and a great generosity of heart.

HABIT: The habit is black, with a white collar and cap. The Sisters wear a rosary, crucifix, and a ring. In hot climates the habit and veil are white.

For further information please write to:

The Directress of Vocations, St. Columban's Novitiate, 950 Metropolitan Ave., Hyde Park 36, Massachusetts.

MISSIONARY SISTERS OF ST. PETER CLAVER

HISTORY: A young Countess at the Court of Austria, Mary Theresa Ledochowska, was struck by an account of the spiritual and material misery of the Negroes in Africa. Her ardent desire to bring them relief made her forsake the world and found in 1894 a missionary work, the Sodality of St. Peter Claver. Within thirty-five years it spread to three continents, enlisting the laity of all classes in mission work for Africa. The nucleus of the organization, its driving force and pilot, is the Institute of the Missionary Sisters of St. Peter Claver, a Congregation of Pontifical Jurisdiction. The Sisters do not go to Africa, but support the Catholic Missions of the various religious Orders in that continent.

PURPOSE: To incite the laity to cooperation and to forward results in funds and merchandise, the Sisters are engaged in correspondence with African Missionaries and their

benefactors, in clerical work, translating, writing of articles, editorial and art work, sewing, printing, bookbinding, and the shipping of goods to Africa.

QUALIFICATIONS:

- *True vocation for supernatural motives.
- *Age of at least fifteen years.
- *Special love for missions.
- *Spotless reputation.
- *Normal health.
- *Cheerful disposition and love for a regulated life.
- *Not to have worn the habit in another religious congregation.

HABIT: The habit consists of a black dress with a white collar and black veil. The Sisters receive a silver medal on a red cord at their first vows and a silver ring at their Perpetual Vows.

For further information please write to:

Rev. Mother Superior, Missionary Sisters of St. Peter Claver, 123 West Isabel Street, St. Paul 7, Minnesota; Rev. Mother Superior, 3624 West Pine Blvd. St. Louis 8, Missouri; Rev. Mother Superior, 54 Baldwin Street, New Brunswick, New Jersey.



MISSIONARY SISTERS OF THE DIVINE CHILD

HISTORY: The Missionary Sisters of the Divine Child were founded in 1927 to assist the most neglected Catholic children, those unable to attend a parochial school. When Bishop Turner organized this Community in 1927, there were in Buffalo thousands of children who were receiving no religious instruction. since no existing sisterhood could assume the burden of this work. On June 11, 1936, the Society was approved by the Holy See and was canonically erected as a Congregation. Bishop Duffy in 1940 extended this catechetical work to the rural areas of the diocese, where the Sisters now teach in four counties. In southern Texas, the Sisters have a mission where the poor Mexican children are instructed in Christian Doctrine.

PURPOSE: In addition to the primary purpose of the Congregation which is the sanctification of its members, the special purpose is

the religious instruction of public school children, and the assistance it is able to give the clergy in the conversion of fallen away Catholics. Social Service and Catholic Census.

QUALIFICATIONS: The aspirant must:

*be between 17-30

*have good health and a sound mind

*be free from all financial obligations

*present a letter of reference from her pastor, and the other usual Canonical requirements.

No large dowry is required.

HABIT: The Sisters' habit and scapular are grey-brown; a white cord, a crucifix, and a silver ring complete the religious garb.

For further information please write to:

Rev. Mother General, Missionary Sisters of the Divine Child, 25 Richmond Ave., Buffalo 22, New York.

MISSIONARY SISTERS OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

HISTORY: The Society of the Missionary Sisters of the Immaculate Conception, destined to a foreign mission apostolate, was founded on June 3, 1902, at Notre Dame des Neiges, Montreal, under the benevolent patronage of His Excellency Archbishop Paul Bruchesi and the direction of Rev. Father Gustave Bourassa, parish priest of St. Louis de France. The Very Rev. Mother Marie du St. Esprit was the Foundress of this the first Canadian missionary Community. The Congregation, which received the approval of His Holiness Pope Pius XI, in 1933, has 46 establishments, two-thirds of which are located in non-Christian countries. The first foundation in the United States was made at Marlboro, Massachusetts in 1946.

PURPOSE: The aim of the Society is the PROPAGATION OF THE FAITH AMONG PAGAN NATIONS, in a spirit of thanksgiving. Consequently, each Sister, on taking her



vows in the Society, consecrates her whole life to the Kingdom of Christ and His Immaculate Mother for the pagan in non-Christian lands, and in the home missions, where the Congregation conducts schools, hospitals, dispensaries, orphanages, closed retreats for women, as well as other works of mercy.

OUALIFICATIONS:

- *Candidates must have an ardent wish to devote themselves to the missions.
- *They must possess sound judgment, generosity, and strength of character.
- *There is but one category of members—all must be able to render themselves useful by some special aptitude.

HABIT: The Missionary Sisters wear the same livery which Our Blessed Mother wore at Lourdes when she proclaimed herself the Immaculate Conception: white habit, white veil, and sky-blue girdle.

For further information please write to:

Mother Superior, 187 Pleasant St., Marlboro, Massachusetts.



MISSIONARY SISTERS OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF THE MOTHER OF GOD

HISTORY: Under the direction of Bishop Amando Bahlmann, O.F.M., of Santarem, Brazil, Mother Maria Immaculata (Elizabeth Tombrock), the co-foundress and first superior general, with four Conceptionist nuns, founded the Missionary branch of their Order in 1910, in Brazil. While soliciting alms in the United States, in 1922, Mother Immaculata suffered an accident that resulted in almost total paralysis. For this reason the general council decided to change the generalate from Brazil to the United States where it is now located.

PURPOSE: The general purpose of the Congregation is the sanctification of its members through the observance of the three simple vows, according to the Rule of the Third Order Regular of Saint Francis and the Constitutions of the Institute. The specific purpose consists in

practising the works of charity, especially in home and foreign missions, by conducting schools, hospitals, orphanages, social welfare units, according to the needs of the various mission areas.

QUALIFICATIONS: The essential qualifications required of the prospective candidate are:

*a cheerful, well-balanced personality

* adaptability; sound judgment

*a sincere determination to conform to the precepts of the Rule and Constitutions and to the Franciscan Missionary Spirit

*although a dowry is required, no worthy candidate is re-

fused for lack of means

*high school education is desirable though not strictly necessary.

All Sisters lead the common life and form but one class, regardless of race or nationality.

HABIT: All Sisters wear the same religious garb, which consists of a white woolen habit and cord, sky-blue scapular, black veil, rosary, silver medal of the Immaculate Conception, and a gold crucifix ring worn on the right hand.

For further information please write to:

Mother General, Convent of the Immaculate Conception, P. O. Box 1858, Paterson, New Jersey.

MISSIONARY SISTERS OF MOTHER OF GOD (Byzantine Rite) Stamford, Connecticut

HISTORY: The Missionary Sisters of Mother of God, a newly formed congregation of women, was founded in 1945 by the Bishops of the Ukrainian Catholic Diocese, namely: Most Rev. Constantine Bohachevsky, D.D., Exarch, and Most Rev. Ambrose Senyshyn, OSBM, D.D., Auxiliary Bishop and Vicar General. The youngest of the Congregations for women in the Ukrainian Catholic Diocese, the Missionary Sisters of Mother of God were banded together for the sanctification of their members by the observance of the Holy Vows and rules, and to care for the spiritual welfare of the youth of Byzantine rites in different countries.

PURPOSE: The Missionary Sisters of Mother of God aim to serve God through service to mankind via the avenues, of teaching in both the grammar and high schools as well

as in catechetical groups; of the Catholic press as is being done through the monthly periodical "The Ark"; of Church art in painting and music as well as embroidery, all in the Byzantine style.

QUALIFICATIONS: Young Catholic women of both Byzantine and Latin rites are eligible who are:

- *between 16 and 35
- *already in high school or college
- *presently engaged in the fields of business, medicine, teaching, social service, factory, domestic and farm work.

HABIT: A Missionary Sister wears a black habit consisting of a full sleeved blouse, pleated skirt, and a short cape with a small white collar. The veil also is black, relieved with a band of white across the forehead. She wears a crucifix of silver and mother of pearl on her breast. The Professed Sister may also wear an identical habit of white with which she wears a light blue veil.

For further information please write to:

Missionary Sisters of Mother of God, 111 West North Street, Stamford, Connecticut.



MISSIONARY SISTERS OF OUR LADY OF AFRICA (White Sisters)

HISTORY: The Congregation of the Missionary Sisters of Our Lady of Africa, more generally known as the White Sisters, was founded in Algiers, Africa, in 1869 by Cardinal Lavigerie to aid the White Fathers in instructing and Christianizing the Mohammedan and pagan women of Africa, and through their means conquer the family and society for Christ. In order to recruit subjects. houses were opened in European countries; and as the Sisters became more numerous, they followed the White Fathers through the jungles to Central and West Africa. Later on houses were opened in Canada and then in the United States. The American Novitiate is at Belleville. Illinois. At present the Congregation numbers almost 1700 Sisters.

PURPOSE: The principal aim of the members of this Congregation is their personal sanctification, in order to work more efficaciously

for the conversion and salvation of souls through every form of catechetical, medical, and educational works. The White Sisters also train the African girls for the religious life.

QUALIFICATIONS: To become a White Sister the following are required:

- *age limit is 35
- * good judgment
- * resolute and docile character
- * good health.

Doctors, nurses, teachers, and young girls without any special training, but called to be missionaries, would find ample scope for their zeal among the Africans.

HABIT: The White Sisters wear a white habit, wimple and veil, a silver crucifix attached to a red silk cord, a rosary of black and white beads, and a silver ring.

For further information please write to:

Rev. Mother Superior, White Sisters, R. R. 2, Box 23, Belleville, Illinois.

MISSIONARY SISTERS OF THE PRECIOUS BLOOD

HISTORY: The Missionary Sisters of the Precious Blood, who were founded on September 8, 1885 by Rt. Rev. Abbot Francis Pfanner at Mariannhill, Natal, South Africa, received the official approbation of the Holy See on October 2, 1906. According to a promise of the Founder, made on Mt. Calvary in Jerusalem, in his great need, the Sisters are devoted in a special way to the Precious Blood, i.e., to make It fruitful in many souls. Although the foundation took place at Mariannhill, the Motherhouse is now situated in Holland. In 1925, the first convent. Little Flower, was established in Princeton, New Jersey, followed by another, Immaculate Conception, nine years later. However, it was not until 1948 that the District Motherhouse and Novitiate first opened its doors. The same year, the first postulant was welcomed.



PURPOSE: The aim of the Congregation is not only the sanctification of its members, but also the dedication of themselves to the works of mercy in the foreign missions. No talent is too high, too humble, or too hidden for a Missionary Sister of the Precious Blood.

QUALIFICATIONS: To be eligible for candidacy young girls should:

- *be between 16 and 30
- *come from a respectable family and must have lived a good life
- *have a spirit of self-sacrifice so necessary in the noble and strenuous missionary life.

HABIT: The habit, scapular, and veil are black; a rosary hangs from a cincture at the left side; a crucifix suspended from a red cord completes the religious garb. White is worn in the Missions.

For further information please write to:

Rev. Mother Superior, Precious Blood Convent, 65 Stockton Street, Princeton, New Jersey.



MISSIONARY SISTERS OF THE SACRED HEART West Park, New York

HISTORY: Saint Frances Xavier Cabrini (1850-1917), "America's First Citizen-Saint in 1946," founded the Missionary Sisters of the Sacred Heart at Codogno, Italy, on November 4, 1880. Because St. Frances felt that the world was too small for her zeal, foundations were established throughout Europe, and under the direction of His Holiness Pope Leo XIII the Institute spread to Latin America and the United States, in 1889. Here the Order has established houses in Chicago, Denver, Los Angeles, Newark, New Orleans, New York, Philadelphia, Brooklyn, Natchez, Scranton, and Seattle.

PURPOSE: The primary aim of the Missionary Sisters is to glorify the Adorable Heart of Jesus, and to sanctify its members by means of the simple vows of Poverty, Chastity, and Obedience. As its secondary purpose the Congregation maintains

private and parochial schools, orphanages, hospitals, does catechetical and social work, and labors in various apostolates on home and foreign missions.

QUALIFICATIONS: Young ladies between 16-30, irrespective of financial condition, are accepted who:

*possess good health, intelligence, and generous good will. Although high school education is desired, the variety of occupations in the Institute enables candidates of different talents and abilities the opportunity of serving God as a Missionary of the Sacred Heart.

HABIT: The Sisters wear a black habit and black silk veil; a black cap and bow, a cincture, cape, silver cross, and a gold ring bearing a crucifix complete the vesture of a Professed Sister.

For further information please write to:

Rev. Mother Superior, Sacred Heart Novitiate, West Park, Ulster Co., New York.

MISSIONARY SISTERS OF THE MOST SACRED HEART OF JESUS OF HILTRUP

HISTORY: This Congregation was founded in 1899 at Hiltrup, Germany, by the Very Reverend Hubert J. Linckens, M.S.C. It developed rapidly and after 50 years of existence, numbered about 1800 professed members, active on all continents, and in the Southwest Pacific. The American Province was established in 1908. Since then the Missionary Sisters of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus have gradually expanded their scope of work in the United States. The thirty-two foundations of the Community in the East and Middle West are directed from the Mother house in Reading, Pennsylvania.

PURPOSE: The motto of the Congregation, "May the Sacred Heart of Jesus be loved everywhere" expresses its special aim—to offer to the Sacred Heart of Jesus loving adoration and reparation and to cooperate in any appropriate manner,



in the preservation and extension of Christ's Kingdom on earth. The Sisters teach in elementary and high schools; nurse in hospitals and sanitariums; care for the aged and orphans; tend to the domestic needs of future missionaries and retreatants, and train for foreign mission work.

QUALIFICATIONS:

*Age of admission—between 18 and 30 (girls under 18 may join the Preparatory Juniorate).

*Applicants must possess, above all, great willingness and generosity.

*High School education is desirable but not necessary; any form of training is welcome.

*Expenses are low; lack of means is no obstacle.

HABIT: The religious garb of the Missionary Sisters consists of a black habit with scapular, black cincture and black veil; a rosary of five decades, a small silver cross with embossed Heart and Community motto, and a silver ring. In tropical regions white habits and veils are used.

For further information please write to:

Rev. Mother Provincial, St. Michael's Convent, Bernharts, Reading, Pennsylvania.



THE MISSIONARY SISTERS OF THE THIRD ORDER OF ST. FRANCIS Peekskill, New York

HISTORY: At Rome in the year 1858, Divine Providence inspired the noble young Parisienne Laure Leroux, Dutchess de Beauffremont. in her zeal for God's glory and the welfare of souls, to associate herself with a small group of Roman ladies, who cherished the laudable desire of devoting their lives to the salvation of souls by laboring for Church and Society. They presented their petition to Pope Pius IX. His Holiness, hearkened to the project, conferred with Very Reverend Bernardine de Montefranco, Minister General of the Friars Minor, who had been advisor, and in consequence, Very Reverend Gregory delli Grotti de Castro, O.F.M., was appointed Founder of the new Institute. Superior and Counselor of the Sisters. The Rule of the Third Order Seraphic for Regulars was adopted, and Constitutions and Regulations

were drawn up. The Degree of Erection was pronounced on November 14, 1860. In 1865 the Community was established in the United States.

PURPOSE: The Sisters are engaged in teaching in parochial schools, high schools, business schools, and college, as well as caring for dependent and neglected children in St. Joseph's Home, Peekskill, and the Lt. Joseph P. Kennedy, Jr. Home in the Bronx. The Sisters also care for children in three Day Nurseries. They are represented in the Archdioceses of New York, Philadelphia, and Newark, and the Diocese of Paterson, New Jersey.

QUALIFICATIONS: Any Catholic girl:

- *between 16 and 30
- *who has the physical and mental fitness and good character
- *who feels called to serve God in the religious state may apply.

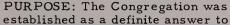
HABIT: The habit and scapular are of dark grey; a black veil, white wimple, a rosary, and a large crucifix, over the heart, the distinctive mark of the Missionary Sisters complete the religious garb.

For further information please write to:

Reverend Mother Provincial, Mount Saint Francis, 250 South Street, Peekskill. New York.

MISSIONARY SISTERS SERVANTS OF THE HOLY GHOST

HISTORY: The Congregation of the Missionary Sisters Servants of the Holy Ghost was founded in 1889 in Steyl, Holland, by Rev. Arnold Janssen. It grew rapidly and in 1895 was able to send the first Sisters to the missions of South America. In quick succession, missions were undertaken in New Guinea, China, Africa, Japan, Indonesia, Brazil, Philippine Islands, India, Chile, and Australia. The Sisters arrived in the United States in 1901 and established themselves at Techny. Illinois. Colored Missions were opened in the southern part of the States in 1906. Today in addition to the colored missions, the work of the Congregation in the States includes catechetical work, homes for the aged, and hospitals. Besides, Sisters are sent regularly to the various foreign missions of the Congregation.



the problem of finding Sisters for foreign mission work. The Sisters devote themselves to every phase of teaching, nursing, social and catechetical work in home and foreign missions to extend the reign of Christ.

QUALIFICATIONS:

- *Applicants between the ages of 18-30 are accepted as aspirants to begin their immediate training.
- *Girls are admitted to the high school division after completing the eighth grade.
- *Any talent and any form of education can be utilized in the various activities of the Congregation.

HABIT: The Sisters' garb consists of a dark blue habit, scapular, veil, and a white cincture. A crucifix, with a Holy Ghost symbol above it, is worn on a red ribbon.

For further information please write to:

Mother Provincial, Holy Ghost Convent, Techny, Illinois.



MISSIONARY ZELATRICES OF THE SACRED HEART New Haven, Connecticut

HISTORY: The Congregation of the Missionary Zelatrices of the Sacred Heart was founded by Mother Clelia Merloni in Viareggio, Tuscany, Italy, in June, 1894. After a short period of financial vicissitudes which threatened its existence, with the aid of the co-founder, Ven. G. B. Scalabrini, Bishop of Piacenza. "Apostle of the Italian Immigrants," the infant Institute began a rapid expansion across the continent. Six years later, members were sent to Brazil, and two years later, in 1902, to the United States The Congregation with the general Mother House in Rome, is divided into provinces; two in Italy, one in South America, and one in the United States. This latter province is represented by convents in New York City, St. Louis, Chicago, Hartford, Pittsburgh, Providence, and Kansas City, Mo. At present the Congregation numbers a little over 1500 members.

PURPOSE: The principle which activates the Zelatrices is promoting the honor and glory of the Sacred Heart by aiming at personal sanctification and ministering to the spiritual and temporal needs of souls. This is expressed in multiple works of charity through the channels of education, catechetical, and parish works, as well as care of the sick, orphans, and foundlings.

QUALIFICATIONS:

*Candidates must be between the ages of 15 and 30; they are expected to have the necessary qualifications of physical, and mental health, good character, and a generous spirit of self-sacrifice.

*Although high school education is desirable, the activities in the Community are so varied that young girls aspiring to the religious life will find ample opportunities for directing their zeal and piety in that work to which they are best adapted.

*Certificates of health, Baptism, Confirmation, and a recommendation from her Pastor are required.

For further information please write to:

Rev. Mother Provincial, Sacred Heart Convent, 295 Greene Street, New Haven, Connecticut.

OUR LADY OF VICTORY MISSIONARY SISTERS

HISTORY: This Congregation was founded in 1921 by Rev. John J. Sigstein of the Archdiocese of Chicago to impart religious instruction and to give practical Christian training, to children and adults who have not had the opportunity of a parochial school education, in the Home Missions. In 1925 the present Motherhouse was completed. It is called Victory Noll in honor of Our Lady of Victory, its patroness, and Bishop John Francis Noll, its greatest sponsor and benefactor. Due to the influence of OUR SUNDAY VISITOR, the growth of the Community has been rapid. The Congregation has extended its activities from the southwest to fourteen States, and now has 50 mission convents, with many centers being cared for from each convent.

PURPOSE: The general end of this Community is the glory of God and the personal sanctification of the members; the special end, catecheti-



cal, social and charitable works in favor of the poor. Their program embraces the entire family, entailing intensive home visiting, census work, and the giving of every possible spiritual and material help that souls may be converted or reclaimed for God and the Church.

QUALIFICATIONS:

- *Motive—An earnest desire to sanctify one's own soul and a true vocation to devote one's self, in honor of Our Lady of Victory, to the catechetical, missionary, and charitable works of the Community.
- *Age—Between 18 and 30.
- *Health—Applicants must have good mental and physical health.
- *Education—A high school education is desirable but not indispensable.

HABIT: The habit and veil are of dark blue. At profession the Sisters receive a silver medal on which is inscribed the motto of the Community: "All for Jesus Through Mary".

For further information please write to:

Superior General, Our Lady of Victory Missionary Sisters, Victory Noll, Huntington, Indiana.



THE SOCIETY OF THE PALLOT-TINE MISSIONARY SISTERS

HISTORY: Blessed Vincent Pallotti was a native Roman priest who was imbued with an extraordinary love of God and zeal for souls. In his fruitful apostolate his motto was: "The charity of Christ urges us on." In 1835 he founded the Society of the Catholic Apostolate. Later when the priests of his Society needed Sister co-workers in their German missions in South Africa. the Society of the Pallottine Missionary Sisters was established in Germany. With the generalate in Limburg, Germany, the Congregation today labors for souls in various countries of Europe, in England, the United States, Central America. and South Africa.

PURPOSE: The primary purpose of the Congregation is self-sanctification of its members through the vows of Poverty, Chastity, and Obedience. The secondary aim is untiring labor for souls in the spirit of Blessed Vincent, using every kind

of apostolic work that befits a missionary society; catechetical, domestic and social service work, teaching, and nursing.

QUALIFICATIONS:

*Any young girl possessing the necessary religious, moral, and physical qualifications may be admitted.

*Age-16-27.

- *A high school education, although desired, is not required.
- *Any professional training needed will be given after profession as the postulancy and the two years' Novitiate are entirely dedicated to religious training.

HABIT: The habit consists of a dress and scapular of black serge, a black wool cincture, a large black rosary, a black veil with white lining, and a white guimpe, browband, and headdress.

For further information please write to:

Rev. Mother Provincial, St. Mary's Convent and Novitiate, Route 3, Box 1, Huntington 1, West Virginia.

CONGREGATION DE NOTRE DAME Montreal, Canada

HISTORY: The Congregation de Notre Dame of Montreal was founded in that city in the middle of the seventeenth century by a French woman, Marguerite Bourgeoys of Troyes. At the age of thirty three, the Foundress came to New France in 1653, where her great charity earned for her the name of Mother of the Colony. Mother Bourgeoy's unfailing trust in Providence enabled her to endure great poverty and hardship and even, on occasion to obtain miracles from Our Lord. At her death, in 1700, she left a firmly established Community which has since spread through Canada and the United States, and has missions in Japan. The Sisters now number almost 3000. Marguerite Bourgeoys was beatified by our present Holy Father, Pope Pius XII on November 13, 1950.

PURPOSE: Beyond the personal sanctification of its members, the purpose of the Congregation is to

teach. Founded at a time when cloistered communities were almost unknown, the Congregation remains without enclosure, and is an active teaching Community.

QUALIFICATIONS:

- *Candidates must be over 18, have reasonably good health, sufficient instruction, and a willingness to teach.
- *Entrants spend the entire period of probation (2 yrs.) at the Motherhouse in Montreal.
- *Aspirancy—6 months; one year and a half as a Novice.
- *Final Profession comes 8 years after the Candidates first entrance.

HABIT: The Sisters wear a long habit, with pleats, falling completely to the floor. A coif of starched linen with a pointed top and a kerchief of the same material are partly covered by a long black veil falling to the knees. Fully Professed Sisters also wear a large black rosary and a plain silver cross.

For further information please write to:

Rev. Mother Provincial, Notre Dame Academy, 76 Howard Ave., Grymes Hill, Staten Island 1, New York.



CONGREGATION OF NOTRE DAME DE SION

HISTORY: This Congregation, which has spread to all parts of the world. owes its origin to one of the celebrated apparitions of the Blessed Virgin Mary. The event took place in Rome (January 20, 1842), where a young worldly minded Jew, Alphonse Ratisbonne, was instantaneously converted by a loving look of the Mother of God. The acceptance of Christ by the once skeptical Jew was not merely the occasion of his reconciliation with his brother, Father Theodore Ratisbonne converted in 1827, but it was rather a luminous sign of God's will regarding their special mission in the Church: the founding of the Congregation of Notre Dame de Sion in Paris, France.

PURPOSE: Charity is its distinctive mark—charity which seeks personal sanctification as a means of doing real supernatural good. The Sisters conduct colleges, elementary and high schools, or phanages,

convert classes, recreational centers, holiday camps, dispensaries, etc., according to local necessities. The Congregation comprises three branches:

- *Sisters devoted to educational works
- *Social Service Sisters (Ancillae)
- * Contemplatives.

QUALIFICATIONS: Aspirants must have:

- * good dispositions
- * sound judgment
- * adaptability to people and places
- * the desire for a generous and loving donation to God.

HABIT: The habit is black, but to facilitate their work among the sick and poor, the Ancillae wear secular clothes.

For further information please write to:

Rev. Mother Superior, Notre Dame de Sion, 3823 Locust St., Kansas City 3, Missouri.

SCHOOL SISTERS OF NOTRE DAME

HISTORY: The Congregation of the School Sisters of Notre Dame was founded by Caroline Gerhardinger, the future Mother Teresa of Jesus. Caroline, as a child, had been taught by the Sisters of Notre Dame established by St. Peter Fourier, in 1597. This Community had been suppressed by Napoleon, and not until 1830 were conditions again favorable for the existence of convent schools. In 1833, encouraged and aided by the saintly Bishop Wittmann of Ratisbon in Bavaria, and Father Sebastian Job, Mother Teresa reorganized and established the suppressed Order. Mother Teresa, the Co-Foundress, was destined by God to carry her Order beyond the limits of Europe, where schools were flourishing in Germany and other countries. In 1847, she herself led the first band of Sisters to America. The School Sisters of Notre Dame soon spread rapidly in all parts of the United States. The



Order, which today has four Provinces in the United States and one in Canada, numbers more than 6000 Sisters.

PURPOSE: The purpose of the School Sisters of Notre Dame is twofold: their own sanctification and the sanctification of the children entrusted to their charge by means of education. Today the Order conducts colleges, academies, schools, orphanages, schools for deaf mutes, day nurseries, and industrial schools.

QUALIFICATIONS:

- *Applicants should not be over 30 (exceptions are sometimes made).
- * High school education preferred.
- *Besides teaching, the variety of occupations in the Order, allow ample opportunity for young girls to become typists, nurses, seamstresses, housekeepers, bakers, sacristans, secretaries, and portresses.

HABIT: The attire of the School Sisters of Notre Dame consists of a black habit held in place by a black girdle from which is suspended a seven decade rosary. A white wimple extends from the coif. The habit of the School Sisters has been acclaimed by artists for its simplicity of design and its perfect symmetry of pattern and graceful lines, in keeping with its religious character and dignity. The Sisters treasure the tradition that Our Lady appeared to Mother Alix Le Clerc, Superior of the suppressed Notre Dames, wearing the habit of the present School Sisters of Notre Dame.

See page 339 for address of nearest community.



THE POOR SCHOOL SISTERS DE NOTRE DAME

HISTORY: First established in France, in 1598, the Congregation of The Poor School Sisters de Notre Dame was extended into Czechoslovakia by Rev. Gabriel Schneider in 1853, with a General Motherhouse in Horazdovice. It enjoys the approval of the Holy See as a Pontifical Congregation. In 1910, Mother Mary Qualberta established the first foundation in America. The Provincial Motherhouse is now located in Omaha, Nebraska.

PURPOSE: If the Blessed Mother personally entrusted her Divine Child to you, saying: "Take this Child and make Him grow," wouldn't you be the happiest person on earth? That was the assignment Mary gave to each School Sister de Notre Dame through Blessed Alexia LeClerc, who, in collaboration with St. Peter Fourier, founded the Congregation in 1598. That is why the life of a School Sister is such an ennobling mission. No matter what her as-

signment is—to teach in one of the Congregation's Mid-Western grade or high schools, to work in the kitchen, laundry, garden, sewing room, or at the Indian Mission; to tend the sick, teach music, direct the lay retreat movement, teach vacation schools, or serve as directress of the resident students—she sees in her duties only her Mary-given assignment: to make Jesus grow in her own heart and then in the hearts of others.

QUALIFICATIONS: The only indispensible requirements are:

*a joyful submissive spirit

*a desire for personal sanctification and for the salvation of souls

* baptismal, Confirmation and health certificates, school credentials, and a recommendation from the Pastor

*age: 15-27 (exceptions are made by special permission).

For further information please write to:

Provincial Superior, 3501 State St., Omaha 12, Nebraska.

SISTERS OF NOTRE DAME

HISTORY: The Congregation of the Sisters of Notre Dame, one of the religious families observing the Rule of Blessed Julie Billiart, owes its immediate origin to Sister Mary Aloysia (Wolbring), Sister Mary Ignatia (Kuehling), and their director Reverend Theodore Elting. They founded their Institute in Germany, 1850, for the Christian education of youth, especially of the poor. The Congregation grew rapidly till 1874 when religious persecution forced the Sisters in exile. Foundations were then made in Cleveland, Ohio, and Covington, Kentucky, by Mother Mary Chrysostom, the second Superior General, and Sister Mary Aloysia. Numerous foundations followed. Today there are three Provinces in the United States and one District, located in Cleveland, Covington, Toledo, and Los Angeles. It is a papal institute with its Generalate in Rome.

PURPOSE: The general aim of the Congregation is the promotion of

the greater glory of God through the sanctification of its members, under the protection of Our Lady. Its special aim, the promotion of the salvation of souls through prayer and the works of mercy, is achieved particularly through the education of youth from kindergarten through college, the care of the sick, together with other charitable activities, and domestic work.

QUALIFICATIONS:

*Any Catholic young woman of good character may be admitted to the Congregation provided she has good physical and mental health, is animated by the right intention and has the qualities of mind requisite for religious life and service in the Congregation.

*Normally the candidate is between 18 and 30 years of age.

*Girls too young to enter the Novitiate may enroll in the Aspirant School.

HABIT: The Sisters wear a black dress, cape and veil, a large rosary at the side, and a silver crucifix upon the breast. In mission countries and in hospitals they wear a white habit.

For further information please write to:

Mother Superior, 1325 Ansel Road, Cleveland 6, Ohio; Mother Superior, 3837 Secor Road, Toledo 6, Ohio; Mother Superior, 1601 Dixie Highway, Covington, Kentucky; Mother Superior, 2851 Overland Avenue, West Los Angeles 64, California.



SISTERS OF NOTRE DAME DE NAMUR

HISTORY: The Institute of the Sisters of Notre Dame de Namur was founded in Amiens, France, in 1803 by Blessed Julie Billiart (1751-1816). Later the Motherhouse was transferred to Namur, Belgium—hence the title-Sisters of Notre Dame of Namur. From here the Sisters established foundations in England, Scotland, Italy, Belgian Congo, South Africa, China, Japan, Hawaii, and the United States, where the first school was opened in Cincinnati, Ohio, in 1840. From there the Sisters increased so rapidly that today we find the Congregation in the States divided into four Provinces each with its own Novitiate. At present over 5000 religious carry out the educational ideals of Blessed Mother Julie in 149 Convents in 8 countries of the world.

PURPOSE: The Sisters of Notre Dame de Namur are primarily a teaching order; but there are many Sisters engaged in other duties ne-

cessary for the Congregation and the schools. There is no distinction made between the members; all are subject to the same vows and the same Rules. Their work embraces every level of education from the pre-elementary classes through college. The varied needs of foreign missions are also a vital part of their activities.

QUALIFICATIONS: Young girls are accepted into this Community who have:

*an upright intention—good reputation

* suitable health and good judgment.

Aspirants are received immediately upon graduating from high school or college.

Young ladies who have already started their careers in business, teaching, nursing, etc., are also welcome. The variety of occupations in the Congregation enables girls without special aptitude for study or teaching, the opportunity of serving God in other fields of endeavor.

For further information please write to the Rev. Mother Provincial at the nearest Provincial Residence:

Notre Dame Academy Training School, 62 Newton St., Waltham, Mass.; Trinity Preparatory School, Ilchester, Md.; Convent of Notre Dame, 4580 Colerain Ave., Mt. Airy, Cincinnati 23, Ohio; Sisters of Notre Dame de Namur, Bohlman Rd., Saratoga, Calif.

OBLATE SISTERS OF PROVIDENCE Baltimore, Maryland

HISTORY: The Oblate Sisters of Providence, a Congregation of Colored Sisters, was founded in Baltimore on July 2, 1829, by Reverend James Nicholas Joubert. S.S., and Mother Mary Elizabeth Lange. The cradle of the foundation was the Lower Chapel in old St. Mary's Seminary on Paca Street. There Father Joubert ministered to the spiritual needs of a group of refugees from Santo Domingo and taught catechism to the children each Sunday. He found it necessary, however, to repeat the same thing each week since the children did not know how to read or write. In order then to facilitate learning and to secure the permanency of his work, Father Joubert was inspired to found a religious congregation of women who would devote themselves to the teaching profession.

PURPOSE: The prime purpose of the Congregation is the sanctification

of its members chiefly through the vows of Poverty, Chastity, and Obedience. They devote themselves to teaching, the care of orphans, catechetical instruction, and lay retreats. They are represented in twenty-seven schools and institutions located in ten archdioceses or dioceses of the United States and Cuba.

QUALIFICATIONS: Candidates must:

- *be between 15 and 30
- *have good health, good will, good morals, and a sound mind.

Those who do not teach can serve God in the capacity of typists, housekeepers, or seamstresses.

Entrance date is September 8th.

HABIT: After six months the postulant receives the habit which consists of a black serge garment, black apron and cape, a white guimpe, coif, head band, and white veil. The professed Sisters wear a black veil.

For further information please write to:

Mother M. Superior, St. Francis Convent, 501 E. Chase Street, Baltimore 2, Maryland.



THE OBLATE SISTERS OF THE SACRED HEART OF JESUS McDonald, Ohio

HISTORY: The Institute of the Oblate Sisters of the Sacred Heart of Jesus was founded in Grottaferrata, Diocese of Farscati, Rome. Italy, by Mother Mary Theresa Casini, in 1894. It had its first approval by His Excellency Serafino Cardinal Vannutelli. At the present time there are eight foundations in Italy, two of them in Rome. The Pontifical approval was given by His Holiness Pius XII on December, 1948. In 1949 the Order was brought into the United States by His Excellency James A. Mc Fadden, Bishop of Youngstown, Ohio. The Motherhouse is located in Mc Donald. Ohio.

PURPOSE: The general aim of the Institute is the glory of God and the sanctification of its members through the observance of the three-fold vows and the Constitutions. The specific purpose is the life of reparation in union with the Sacred

Heart, and prayer for the sanctification of the Clergy. To obtain this purpose they have the perpetual adoration before the Blessed Sacrament, and the recital of the Office of the Eucharistic Heart of Jesus. In order to render these prayers more efficacious, the Oblates add their daily works, made in humble, silent, and fervent immolation. The Institute may conduct acadamies for boys or rest homes for secular Priests who are in need of care and assistance.

QUALIFICATIONS: Young ladies, 14 to 30, who are accepted into this Order must be of:

*kindly disposition

*exemplary conduct and solid piety.

HABIT: The habit of the Oblate Sisters is made of white wool, cut in the form of a tunic. The sash and the scapular are made of the same material. The close fitting veil is made of white light woolen cloth. Outside the Convent a cloak of black wool and a black veil is worn.

For further information please write to:

Rev. Mother Superior, Oblate Sisters of the Sacred Heart, 252 Ohio Ave., Mc Donald, Ohio.

SOCIETY OF OUR LADY OF THE RETREAT IN THE CENACLE

HISTORY: In the early part of the last century, at the famed shrine of St. Francis Regis in the mountains of southern France, Blessed Therese Couderc and Reverend Stephen Terme together laid the foundations of the first Cenacle, and planted the seed of closed retreats for women destined to spread throughout France within the lifetime of the foundress. who died renowned for holiness and mystical favors in 1885. By 1900 there were Cenacles in Italy, England, Belgium, Holland, and America-later in Brazil, and a mission house in Madagascar. The pioneer group in this country opened their first retreat house in New York on the banks of the Hudson in 1892. Today there are fifteen such centers of spiritual refection for the women located in New York, Boston, Chicago, Newport, R. I., Lake Ronkonkoma, L. I., St. Louis, Warrenville, Ill., Rochester, N. Y., New Bruns-



wick, N. J., Middletown, Conn., Milwaukee, Minneapolis, Toronto, and Vancouver in Canada.

PURPOSE: The purpose of the Society is to increase the measure of holiness in Christ's Church through retreats and instruction in Christian doctrine. The fruits of this twofold apostolate are well calculated to promote the nobility of a Christian womanhood which can face the problems and evils of modern life unperturbed and unsoiled, because it is rooted in a faith that sees and evaluates all things in the clear light of eternity.

QUALIFICATIONS:

- *A good cultural background comprising collegiate work or its equivalent, womanliness of heart, and prudence of judgment.
- *An attraction to a solid spiritual life based on the liturgy and on doctrine.
- *Partners in this work are the coadjutor Sisters whose loving labor for Christ makes retreat hospitality possible—no educational requirements.

For further information please write to:

Rev. Mother Superior, Convent of Our Lady of the Cenacle, 628 West 140th St., New York 31, New York; Rev. Mother Superior, Convent of Our Lady of the Cenacle, 3288 No. Lake Drive, Milwaukee 11, Wisconsin.



THE SISTERS OF OUR LADY OF CHARITY OF REFUGE

HISTORY: A burning zeal for the salvation of wayward souls prompted St. John Eudes, a missionary priest of the seventeenth century, to rent a small house in Caen, France, which he called the "Refuge" and which work he placed into the hands of religious bound by the simple Vows. This was to be a haven for erring females who have been converted from a life of sin. They need the intelligent sympathy of a woman's nature, and the touch of a sisterly hand to guide and sustain them in their effort to continue courageously in the path of virtue after their conversion. Thus was established the Order of Our Lady of Charity of Refuge in 1641 in Caen. France. This was the most striking work of the great Apostolate of St. John Eudes. Since their first arrival in the United States in 1855, the Sisters of Our Lady of Charity have established 12 foundations devoted to this important work of re-

clamation of young girls in peril and distress.

PURPOSE: The primary concern of any religious is the salvation her soul and the fulfillment of her duties within the Mystical Body of Christ. The Sisters of Our Lady of Charity have an added concern and duty of saving the souls of a special group within the social body of men. In the United States the Sisters specialize principally in the rehabilitation of adolescent problem girls who are the victims of modern social evils, weakness of character, bad environment, and broken homes.

QUALIFICATIONS:

*Any young Catholic lady, from 16 to 30, interested in the field of Social Work will find an extensive field in the Order of Our Lady of Charity.

*For a good reason this Community may grant dispensa-

tions for delayed vocations.

*She must be free from all canonical impediments, inspired with the right intention, and capable of bearing the burdens of religious life.

*The usual certificates are required.

HABIT: The Holy habit is of white serge, the veil is black, and a white bone rosary hangs from the cincture. A silver heart is sus-

pended from the neck bearing the image of Our Blessed Lady with the Divine Child on one side and the inscription "Vive Jesus et Marie" on the other.

For further information please write to the Rev. Mother Superior at the nearest Motherhouse of the Sisters of Our Lady of Charity of Refuge listed below:

Arkansas - Monastery of Our Lady of Charity of Refuge, 1125 Malvern Ave., Hot Springs, Arkansas; New York-Monastery of Our Lady of Charity, 485 Best St., Buffalo, New York; Sisters of Our Lady of Charity of Refuge, 4200 Main St., Eggertsville, New York; Holy Angels Home, 1326 Winton Rd., Rochester, New York; Pennsylvania - Sisters of Our Lady of Charity, 4635 East Lake Rd., M.R. 13, Erie, Pennsylvania; Sisters of Our Lady of Charity, 1625 Lincoln Ave., E.E., Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania; Monastery of Our Lady of Charity, 1615 Lowrie St., Troy Hill N.S. (12), Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania; Texas-Monastery of Our Lady of Charity, Mt. St. Michael, 4500 W. Davis St., Dallas, Texas; Monastery of Our Lady of Charity of Refuge, 215 N. Glenwood Dr., El Paso, Texas; Monastery of Our Lady of Charity of Refuge, 1900 Montana St., San Antonio, Texas; W. Virginia-Monastery of Our Lady of Charity, Egington Lane, Wheeling, West Virginia; Wisconsin-Monastery of Our Lady of Charity, 918 Porlier St., Green Bay, Wisconsin.



SISTERS OF OUR LADY OF THE HOLY ROSARY Rimouski, Quebec

HISTORY: The Congregation of Our Lady of the Holy Rosary, which was established in 1874 by His Excellency, Bishop Jean Langevin at Rimouski, Quebec, was founded by Mother Mary Elizabeth Turgeon, from Beaumont, Quebec. She received her Diploma from the Ursuline Normal School at Quebec. In 1899, the Institute settled and founded its first establishment in the United States at Portland, Maine. present the Community numbers over 503 members who are engaged in teaching, both in the United States and Canada, in over 55 Convent Schools, and in two Indian Day Schools.

PURPOSE: The general aim of this Community is the glory of God and the sanctification of its members. The special purpose is the Christian instruction and education of children especially among the poor, in parish schools. The Congregation contains

Choir Sisters and Lay Sisters. The latter, although leading a life perfectly in common with the Choir Sisters, are in charge principally of the housework and manual labor, with the direction and help of the Choir Sisters, accordingly as appointed by the Superiors.

QUALIFICATIONS: Young girls are accepted into this Congregation who:

*are not over 30

*are not impeded by family obligations

*have a true vocation, good health, and good character.

HABIT: The simple garb of the Sisters of Our Lady of the Holy Rosary consists of a grey habit, a black scapular, and veil. A white guimpe, collar, coif, a crucifix, and a large rosary complete the religious habit.

For further information please write to:

Rev. Mother General, Rimouski, Quebec, Canada.

THE PASSIONIST NUNS

HISTORY: The Passionist Nuns were established by St. Paul of the Cross in the year 1770. The Cofoundress, Mother Mary of Jesus Crucified, came from the wealthy Constantini family, who gave their property for the first convent in Corneto, now Tarquinia, Italy. The new convent was formally established on May 3, 1770, on which day, Mother Mary and ten companions received the holy habit. With the passing of the years, other houses were opened in Italy, France, Belgium, Holland, South America, and Spain. In 1910, five religious left their convent in Corneto, to found the first community of Passionist Nuns in the United States at Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

PURPOSE: The end and purpose of the Passionist Sisterhood may be gathered from the very name "Passionist". The distinctive work of the Passionist Fathers is to labor for the world's salvation by the preaching of the Passion of Jesus



Christ. The Passionist Nuns devote themselves to the same divine work by the practices of the contemplative life—prayer and penance. QUALIFICATIONS:

*Applicants between 18 and 25 are required to have a true vocation, good health, and good character.

*Although the Passionist Nuns have two types of vocations—Choir and Lay Religious—their lives are similar in every respect except that the Choir Religious have the obligation of the Divine Office—the Sisters vocal prayers instead.

HABIT: The dress of the Passionist Nuns is a long black tunic with a black leather belt, to which is attached the rosary of Our Lady. The headdress is a very simple black veil. The Religious do not wear shoes or stockings, but sandals only. On their habit, they wear the "Sign" the distinctive badge of the Passionists, with the inscription, JESU XPI PASSIO.

For further information please write to the Rev. Mother Superior C.P., at the nearest Passionist Monastery listed below:

Kentucky—Convent of the Sacred Passion, Donaldson Highway, R.R. 4, Erlanger, Kentucky; St. Joseph's Monastery, 1420 Benita Ave., Owensboro, Kentucky; Missouri—Immaculate Conception Convent, 422 S. Geyer Rd., Kirkwood 22, Missouri; Pennsylvania—St. Gabriel's Monastery, 1560 Monroe, Ave., Dunmore 9, Pennsylvania; Our Lady of Sorrows Convent, 2715 Churchview Ave., Pittsburgh 27, Pennsylvania.



PASSIONIST SISTERS

HISTORY: The Sisters of the Holy Cross and Passion were founded in Manchester, England, 1851, by Father Gaudentius Rossi, C.P. Mother M. Joseph Prout, a convert. was appointed first Mother General of the Congregation, which now has several convents in England, Ireland, and Scotland. In 1911, the Order was established in South America. At the request of Most Rev. William A. Hickey, and the Rev. Felix Ward, C.P., pioneer sisters were sent to Providence, R. I., in 1924. Here the Sisters teach in the Assumption Junior High School, and also at St. Francis School, Wakefield, and St. Bernard's School, Wickford, R. I. A Retreat House for women is conducted at Peace Dale, and the Novitiate is located in a delightful spot near Bristol, R. I., overlooking Mount Hope Bay.

PURPOSE: The primary purpose of the Congregation was the founding of hostels for young girls employed

in the manufacturing districts of large cities. Sisters also take charge of elementary and secondary schools, have Retreat Houses for Women, and visit sick and negligent Catholics in their homes.

QUALIFICATIONS:

- *Girls entering the Novitiate must be at least 15 and not over 30, except with special dispensation from the Mother General.
- *Candidates must have good health, average intelligence, and be desirous of serving God.
- * The customary testimonial letter from the pastor is required.

HABIT: The Sisters wear a black habit and a short cape, with the Passionist Badge or Sign of the Institute, and a white fluted cap to which is attached a black veil.

For further information please write to:

Rev. Mother Provincial, C.P. Passionist Sisters, 530 Dexter Street, Providence 7, Rhode Island.

INSTITUTE OF PERPETUAL ADORATION

HISTORY: The Institute of Perpetual Adoration was founded at Brussels in 1857 by Mother Anna de Meeus. Its purpose is to promote the glory of Our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament chiefly by means of the Archassociation of Perpetual Adoration and Work for Poor Churches of which, it will always retain the direction. Full Papal approbation was granted to the Constitutions and Rules in 1872. Houses have been founded in Belgium, Italy, Holland, the United States, and England. The chapels are open to the public, and the Blessed Sacrament is exposed daily after Mass until Benediction. The Sisters are divided into choir and co-adjutrix, and are semicloistered.

PURPOSE: The principal work is the Archassociation of Perpetual Adoration and Work for Poor Churches which provides gratis, requisites for divine service. Members must spend one hour +

monthly in adoration, and contribute financially to the work. Retreat work and religious instruction hold an important place.

QUALIFICATIONS: Applicants should:

- *be between 16-35 (exceptions can be made)
- *have a high school education
- *if possible, provide some financial resources for their maintenance, but this is no obstacle for suitable candidates.

HABIT: The habit is black. For adoration a longer veil is worn. Postulancy of six months. Novitiate of two years followed by profession of simple vows.

For further information please write to:

Reverend Mother Superior, Convent of Perpetual Adoration, 1419 V Street, N.W., Washington 9, D. C.



ORDER OF PERPETUAL ADORATION NUNS

HISTORY: The Order of Perpetual Adoration Nuns was founded in Rome on July 8, 1807, by the Servant of God, Mother Mary Magdalen of the Incarnation, a professed nun of the Franciscan Convent in Ischia. Italy, in obedience to a voice from Heaven, for the sole purpose of being an aid to Holy Mother Church through the daily Solemn Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and their apostolate of prayer and sacrifice. At present there are 37 independent Monasteries: 12 in Italy, 1 in Austria, 2 in Spain, 2 in South America, 18 in Mexico, and 2 in the United States: El Paso, Texas, founded in 1925 and San Francisco, California, in 1928.

PURPOSE: Each hour the Adorers or Choir Sisters, who take solemn vows and are obliged to recite the Breviary, are summoned to their noble mission before the Holy Altar; in holy solitude, unknown, the Perpetual Nuns reenact the role of

Mary, continually praying God's blessings on His Church and members. The Lay-Sisters who take simple vows do not recite the Breviary nor make Adoration, they are employed in the household tasks.

QUALIFICATIONS: For either Nun or Lay-Sister;

*Age: 18-30.

*Good health, jovial character, not prone to melancholy or scruples.

*Must understand a little Spanish (required only in the El Paso monastery).

*A dowry is requested of Nuns; if unable, she must compensate this lack of dowry by some special training or ability. Lay-Sisters do not have to provide a dowry.

*Applicants must not have been affiliated with any other previous Community.

HABIT: The Choir Sisters wear a white habit; a white monstrance embroidered on a full length red scapular, a red sash worn only on special feasts, a large white cape, and a black veil.

For further information please write to:

Monastery of Perpetual Adoration, 145 North Cotton Ave., El Paso, Texas; Monastery of Perpetual Adoration, 771 Ashbury St., San Francisco 17, California.

POOR SISTERS OF ST. FRANCIS SERAPH OF THE PERPETUAL ADORATION

HISTORY: The Community of the Poor Sisters of St. Francis, Seraph, of the Perpetual Adoration, of Mishawaka, Indiana-near South Bend—was founded, in 1860, by Mother Theresa Bonzel, at Olpe, Westphalia, Germany. In 1865, the Sisters established an American Provincial House at Lafavette, Indiana, later transferred to Mishawaka. In 1932, the Community in America divided into two provinces, with the Western Provincial House in Denver, Colorado. The houses of the Eastern Province are in Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, Michigan, Missouri, Kentucky and Tennessee; those of the Western Province are in Kansas, Nebraska, Colorado, and New Mexico.

PURPOSE: The purpose of the Community is threefold: first, the Perpetual Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament of the Altar; second, the sanctification of its members by the observance of the three Holy Vows,



the Rule of the Third Order Regular of St. Francis, and the Constitutions of the Community approved by the Holy See; third, education of all levels, care of the sick, of the aged, and of orphans.

QUALIFICATIONS:

*Candidates must be in good health, have a good moral character and moral intelligence, and be recommended by their Pastor or Confessor.

*Age 17-30 (exceptions are made for older girls when

circumstances warrant).

*The Community conducts a School for Aspirants at Mishawaka for girls of high school age who wish to protect and test their vocation before entering the postulancy.

HABIT: The garb consists of a dark brown habit and scapular, white cincture, white linen cap and black veil, plus a black mantle in cold weather. The Sisters carry a crucifix in the belt on the right side and a brown rosary on the cincture on the left side.

For further information please write to:

Rev. Mother Provincial, St. Francis Convent, Mount Alverno (P. O. Box 377), Mishawaka, Indiana; Rev. Mother Provincial, St. Joseph's Convent, 2825 West 32nd Ave, Denver, Colorado.



PARISH VISITORS OF MARY IMMACULATE

HISTORY: Established under ecclesiastical authority, the Parish Visitors of Mary Immaculate, a religious Community of Missionary Sisters who are trained catechists and professional social workers, fulfills the ardent desires, struggles and prayers of the Foundress, Julia Teresa Tallon, to give greater glory to God and to save the most neglected children. His Eminence, the late Cardinal Hayes, welcomed Mother Tallon and her companions to New York, where they began their Community life and successful visitation of families on August 15, 1920. Two years later Cardinal Hayes wrote, "Men, women, children, and entire families. knowing neither sheepfold nor shepherd and apparently lost to the Faith, have been searched out by the Parish Visitors in a remarkable spirit of charity, kindness, sympathy, and intelligence".

PURPOSE: The Missionary occupa-

tions of the Parish Visitors of Mary Immaculate includes: parish census surveys, all kinds of family case work, promoting family devotions and the Liturgy, instructing children and adults at home, bringing stray Catholics to Church, reconstructing weak and broken homes, leading Catholics to join Church societies, guiding and assisting immigrants, distributing religious articles, and spreading helpful literature.

OUALIFICATIONS:

- *The love of God and Zeal for souls.
- *A deep love of Catholic truths.
- *The desire to impart these truths to less fortunate souls.
- *An attraction for Religious Life, Family Visitation, and Social Service.
- *Freedom from binding obligations.

HABIT: The garb worn by the Sisters is of one-piece black serge. It is buttoned diagonally from the front of the neck to the left hip. A white collar is turned down over the habit collar. A silver emblem of the Immaculate Conception and a five-decade rosary complete the Religious habit.

For further information please write to:

Rev. Mother Superior, Marycrest Convent, (Box 1008), Monroe, Orange Co., New York.

THE SISTERS ADORERS OF THE PRECIOUS BLOOD

HISTORY: The Institute of the Sisters Adorers of the Precious Blood was founded in Saint Hyacinth (Canada) September 14, 1861. Miss Aurelia Caouette was its Foundress and first Superior under the name of "Mother Catherine-Aurelia of the Precious Blood". Eleven Monasteries were founded in Canada as well as in the United States and Cuba, during the lifetime of the Venerated Foundress who died July 6th 1905. The first to be founded on American soil was that of Brooklyn, New York, in 1890. There are actually (1951) 33 Monasteries with 1250 Professed Nuns since the Foundation of the Institute. On July 11, 1945, the Sacred Congregation of the Religious established a Union of Monasteries-St. Hyacinth was then designated as the Generalate House for the French section, while the Monastery of London, Ont., as that of the English-speaking section.



PURPOSE: Their characteristic

spirit is then essentially resumed in a fervent and habitual devotedness to the worship of the Precious Blood; in the homage paid to Mary Immaculate; in the constant practice of offering to God their exercises of piety and holy works, in order to obtain their own sanctification, the conversion of sinners, and the needs of the Church.

QUALIFICATIONS: Candidates, 15-30, are accepted into this Community who:

*are of legitimate birth and have sufficient health

* give promise that they will be qualified for fulfilling the duties of a religious.

Aspirants who apply as Choir Sisters must possess a good scholastic education and be able to read Latin.

HABIT: The costume of the professed choir Sister consists of a white habit and mantle, a red scapular and cincture, and a black veil, on the border of which is a little cross of red cloth. On the pendant of the cincture the instruments of the Passion are painted in white. A black rosary, a silver ring, and cross complete the religious habit.

For further information please write to:

Rev. Mother General, Monastery of the Precious Blood, Saint Hyacinth, Quebec, Canada.



SISTERS ADORERS OF THE MOST PRECIOUS BLOOD

HISTORY: When Blessed Maria De Mattias opened her small school in Acuto, Italy, in 1834, she began not only her fruitful apostolate as a religious educator, but also her work as Foundress of a new religious Congregation—The Sisters Adorers of the Most Precious Blood. During the life of the Foundress, the Community established its General Motherhouse in Rome. From Italy it has spread to other European countries and to North and South America. In 1906, the branch of the Congregation known as the Columbia Province was first established in Alton, Illinois, and later moved to Eastern Pennsylvania.

PURPOSE: The glorification of God through the sanctification of self and neighbor is the primary aim of the Congregation. Its distinguishing mark is a deep devotion to the Precious Blood. The Sisters teach in schools, care for the aged, and

perform various works belonging to the active apostolate.

QUALIFICATIONS: Applicants, who are accepted between the ages of 15 and 35, must possess:

* normal health and normal ability

*the firm desire to serve God under the vows of Poverty, Chastity, and Obedience.

Though postulants may enter at any time, preferable dates are September 1 and February 1.

HABIT: The neat, black habit of the Sister Adorer is distinguished from other religious habits by her red sash, and the gold heart suspended from a chain worn about her neck.

For further information please write to:

Mother M. Annunciata, Ad.PP.S., St. Joseph Convent, R.D. 2, Columbia, Pennsylvania; Mother Superior, P.O., Red Bud, R.R. 1, Ruma, Illinois; Mother Superior, 3100 McCormick Ave., Wichita, Kansas.

THE SISTERS OF THE PRECIOUS BLOOD Dayton, Ohio

HISTORY: The Congregation of the Sisters of the Precious Blood originated in the Swiss Alps in an old castle which had been converted into a seminary for poor boys. Here, Maria Anna Brunner, an elderly widow and the mother of six children, was devoting the remainder of her life in assisting her priestly son in the care of the students and in the adoration of the Precious Blood of Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament. The "pious Mother's" good example soon attracted other women to the cause, and this little band formed the nucleus of the present Community. In 1844, Father Brunner brought the Sisters to America. The first convents were erected in Ohio; but the Sisters now have sixty missions spread across the country in the states of Arizona, California, Colorado, Indiana, Missouri, Ohio, and North Dakota.



PURPOSE: The general purpose of the Congregation is the personal sanctification of its members; the special purpose, that of making the Precious Blood fruitful for souls by teaching in orphanages and schools, by nursing the sick and aged in hospitals and sanatoria, and by domestic work in Chris-

tian institutions.

QUALIFICATIONS: A candidate must:

*be between 15-30

*possess a good moral character, emotional stability, and maturity

*be in good physical and mental health

*have a docile, sociable disposition, combined with a firm will to consecrate herself by vow to God in religion.

HABIT: The Sisters wear a black serge habit, cape, and guimpe; a white veil over a white cap; a white collar; red cincture; a crucifix suspended from the neck by a red cord; and at Profession of Perpetual Vows they receive a gold ring.

For further information please write to:

Rev. Mother Mary Nathalia, C.PP.S., 5820 Salem Ave., Regina Heights, Dayton 6, Ohio.



SISTERS OF THE MOST PRECIOUS BLOOD O'Fallon, Missouri

HISTORY: Founded in the little Swiss village of Steinerberg by the Rev. Karl Rolfus, the Congregation of the Sisters of the Most Precious Blood became accustomed to persecution and exile. Scarcely three years after its inception, the infant Community was forced to seek refuge at Ottmarsheim, Alsace, France, because of the hostility of the liberal anti-clerical party which had gained control of the government; and from this center it sent Sisters to found a school at Gurtweil, Baden. However, here the ruthless designs of the hostile German government again drove the Sisters from their home. whence Divine Providence directed them to America, where they settled first at Alton, Illinois, and later at O'Fallon, Missouri, the present Motherhouse of the Community.

PURPOSE: In addition to their principal work of teaching, carried on in some sixty-two elementary and

secondary schools in the Middle West, the Sisters also direct an orphanage, train handicapped children, do missionary work in Finland, and conduct an Ecclesiastical Art Department in the Motherhouse.

QUALIFICATIONS: Young girls should possess the following qualifications:

*age: 18-30

* they should possess sufficient health to enable them to participate in some activity of the Congregation, and be imbued with the spirit of sacrifice

*they must furnish certificates of Baptism, Confirmation, and a testimonial of good character from their pastor.

HABIT: The Sisters' habit, scapular, veil, and cincture are black; the simple headdress and collar are white. A silver cross suspended from a red cord completes the religious garb.

For further information please write to:

Mother M. Borgia, C.PP.S., St. Mary's Institute, O'Fallon, Missouri.

LITTLE SISTERS OF THE POOR

HISTORY: Founded in France in 1839, the Little Sisters of the Poor provide homes, and care for men and women, sixty years of age and over, without sufficient means to enter a paying institution. To the simple vows of Poverty, Chastity, and Obedience a Sister of the Poor adds the Vow of Hospitality, which ennobles her ministry and dedicates her irrevocably to the service of Jesus Christ in the person of the Aged Poor.

PURPOSE: Through her spiritual exercises, time for which is set aside by the Rule, she is given the role of the contemplative Mary; the duties of Hospitality confer upon her that of Martha. This vocation, inspired by the love of God and the love of His Poor, has its specific mission in the Church. It calls for a strong faith, solid virtue, a cheerful and generous will that overlooks the sacrifices this work entails. It calls for hearts fixed only on the love of Him, Whose plaintive cry



unceasingly appeals to souls to "Come follow Me. Console Me in the suffering members of My Poor".

QUALIFICATIONS: Any young lady desirous of knowing the work of caring for the Aged Poor would be most welcome, should she care to devote a few hours of her time occasionally in serving, caring for the Poor.

Age: 17 to 25.

Education: A high school education; college education desirable but not required.

Preparation: Several month's postulancy in a local Home in order to acquire first-hand experience and knowledge of the duties of Hospitality, prior to the entrance into the Novitiate.

HABIT: The habit of a Little Sister consists of a black robe with a kerchief and apron; the black mantle is worn in the Chapel and when travelling. The headress is a plain white bonnet with a forehead band symbol of obedience.

For further information please write to:

Rev. Mother Superior, Bushwick & De Kalb Aves., Brooklyn 21, New York; Rev. Mother Superior, 1200 Valley St., Baltimore 2, Maryland; Rev. Mother Superior, 2358 Sheffield Ave., Chicago 14, Illinois.



POOR CLARE NUNS

HISTORY: Saint Clare of Assisi (1194-1253) born of noble parents. was the co-Foundress and the first Abbess of San Damiano, Assisi, in Italy. At the age of eighteen, this young heroine vowed herself to the service of Jesus Christ and received her habit from Saint Francis of Assisi himself, in 1212. Thus was instituted the Order of Poor Clares, of the Second Order of Saint Francis. For about two centuries after her death, very few communities followed the Strict Rule of Saint Clare, which was confirmed and approved by Pope Innocent XIV in 1253. It wasn't until the beginning of the 15th century that Saint Colette (d. 1447) instituted a vigorous reform of the Second Order. Pope Pius II approved her new reform which insured the foundations of the primitive Rule of Saint Clare, with added constitutions and regulations of her own. Due to the suppression of the Religious in Italy and with the

blessing of Pope Pius IX, the Poor Clares established a house in the United States in 1875. In 1878, these Italian Poor Clares accepted an invitation to join the newly arrived German Poor Clares into what is now known as the Franciscan Poor Clares, who are distinct from the Poor-Clare—Colettines. The 17 existing Monasteries in the United States today are separate, independent, autonomous units.

PURPOSE: To pray and do penance. The Poor Clares, who are strictly cloistered, lead an austere and mortified life of total prayer and penance. The Nuns arise at mid-night to pray for themselves, families, friends, and benefactors; for the Church, Missionaries, and especially for the conversion of sinners. Besides the life of prayer and penance the Nuns also engage in manual labor which consists in making vestments, Church linens, and Altar Breads.

QUALIFICATIONS:

- *Candidates are accepted from the ages of 15-25; the age limit for extern Sisters is 30.
- *Physical and mental requirements are: normal good health, cheerful disposition, normal education.

*The Nuns are permitted visitors four times a year; Postulants more frequently.

*The usual canonical certificates are also required.

Those interested in the contemplative life of the Poor Clares may receive further information by writing to the nearest Monastery listed below:

POOR CLARES-COLETTINES

California—Monastery of the Poor Clares, 215 E. Los Olivos St., Santa Barbara, California; St. Joseph Monastery of the Poor Clares, 601 Wharf Rd., Rt. 2, Santa Cruz, California; Illinois—Monastery of Poor Clares, 5245 S. Laflin St., Chicago 9, Illinois; Corpus Christi Monastery, 2111 So. Main St., Rockford, Illinois; Minnesota—St. Clares Monastery, Sauk Rapids, Minnesota; Ohio—Monastery of the Blessed Sacrament, 3501 Rocky River Dr., Cleveland 11, Ohio;

FRANCISCAN POOR CLARES

Indiana—Monastery of St. Clare, 509 So. Kentucky Ave., Evansville, Indiana; Louisiana—St. Clare's Monastery, 720 Henry Clay Ave., New Orleans 18, Louisiana; Massachusetts—Monastery of St. Clare, 920 Centre St., Boston, Massachusetts; Monastery of St. Clare, 236 Westford St., Lowell, Massachusetts; Nebraska—Monastery of St. Clare, 1310 N. 29th St., Omaha 2, Nebraska; New Jersey—Monastery of Poor Clares, Crosswicks St., Bordentown, New Jersey; New Mexico—Monastery of Our Lady of Guadalupe, 19th St., & Railroad Ave., (Box 285-C) Rt. 1, Roswell, New Mexico; New York—Monastery of Poor Clares, 142 Hollywood Ave., New York—Monastery of Poor Clares, 142 Hollywood Ave., New York 61, New York; Pennsylvania—Monastery of St. Clare, Girard & Corinthian Aves., S.E., Philadelphia 30, Pennsylvania; Tennessee—Monastery of St. Clare, P.O. Box 8, Memphis 1, Tennessee; Washington—Monastery of St. Clare, 4419 N. Hawthorne St., Spokane 12, Washington.



NURSING SISTERS OF THE SICK POOR

HISTORY: At the turn of the century, Mother Marie Antoinette of the Sisters of the Infant Jesus, commonly known to the people of Brooklyn, where they work, as the Nursing Sisters of the Sick Poor, left her native land. France, with two companions, to seek freedom from religious persecution. They looked to America as a safe refuge. In their search for freedom a new apostolate was opened to them. When they arrived in New York in 1905, the Most Rev. Charles E. McDonald. D.D., Bishop of Brooklyn offered them a haven if they would care for his sick poor. The Bishop's offer was accepted as God's will by Mother Marie Antoinette and her companions. This Community is the only one in the Diocese of Brooklyn entirely dedicated to the care of the sick, either in their own homes, or at Mercy Hospital, Rockville Center, New York.

PURPOSE: The sanctification of its members through the three vows of religion and the practice

of the corporal works of mercy which includes: nursing sick women and children in their homes, regardless of race, color, or creed, provided that they are poor and cannot afford to pay for nursing service, and the care of the sick at Mercy Hospital.

QUALIFICATIONS:

*Age: not over 30.

* Young women who show the necessary qualifications of character may be sent to an accredited Nursing School after profession.

*Not all become nurses; the community needs sacristans, seamstresses, clerical workers, technicians, dieticians, pharmacists, and social workers.

HABIT: The habit consists of a black dress, a pelerine of the same material, a cincture of black wool, a bandeau, an undercap, a muslin bonnet, and a black veil. A chaplet rosary of five decades, a white metal cross, and a silver ring with a medallion of the Infant Jesus are worn by the Sisters in Perpetual Vows.

For further information please write to:

Rev. Mother Superior, 439 Henry St., Brooklyn 2, New York.

SISTERS OF THE POOR OF ST. FRANCIS

HISTORY: Frances Schervier was the Foundress of the Sisters of The Poor of St. Francis, a Congregation devoted to charitable work among the sick poor. Born in Aachen, Germany, she came from a pious Catholic family of excellent economic and social position. Devout from childhood, she was particularly taken with Christ's injunction about providing for His poor. Her friend, Gertrude Frank, had a vision in which Frances was commanded to found a congregation. The Congregation originated in 1845 with five women. They were called upon for various types of service, mainly the care of the sick poor in hospitals. The American branch of the congregation was founded in 1858.

PURPOSE: Though the principal work of the Community is the care of the poor in hospitals, the Sisters are not all nurses. All talents can be used in the Congregation. There is need for Sisters as technicians,



dieticians, bookkeepers, secretaries, for household and many other domestic duties.

QUALIFICATIONS: The principal requisites for admission are:

- *age: 15-30
- *an earnest desire for personal sanctification
- *legitimate birth, good reputation
- *free from sickness, deformity and from debt
- *possession of sound judgment.

HABIT: The Sisters wear a brown habit and scapular, on which is embroidered a red cross with the crown of thorns—on the right hand a plain gold ring. The veil is black.

For further information please write to:

Reverend Mother Provincial, Mount Alverno Convent, Warwick, New York; Reverend Mother Provincial, St. Clare Convent, Hartwell, Cincinnati, 15, Ohio.



THE PRESENTATION SISTERS OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

HISTORY: When the Penal Laws against Catholics were in full force in Ireland in 1775, Nano Nagle founded the Presentation Sisters B.V.M., to instruct the children of the poor in their Catholic Faith. The Congregation grew and prospered rapidly. Its expansion was phenominal not only throughout Ireland but all over the world. To-day, the Presentation Sisters are to be found in Europe, America, India, Australia and Africa. Since their first establishment in the United States in 1854 the Congregation, which now numbers ten Motherhouses, may be found in many Archdioceses and Dioceses throughout the Union. The Rule was approved by the Holy See in 1791.

PURPOSE: The general purpose of this Congregation is the sanctification of its members by the observances of their Vows of Poverty, Chastity, Obedience, and the Constitutions. The special type of work

characteristic of this Congregation is the education of youth, particularly the poor in the principles of religion and Christian piety. QUALIFICATIONS: Any young Catholic girl will be accepted who is:

- *between the ages of 17 and 30
- *free from all legal impediments and impelled by the right intention
- * strong and healthy enough to fulfill the duties of religious life and the arduous but meritorious task of teaching.

HABIT: The Sisters wear a black habit, veil and domino; a white bandeau and guimpe, and a black leather cincture from which hangs a rosary and crucifix.

For further information please write to the Rev. Mother Superior at the nearest Sisters of Presentation Convents tabulated below:

California—Presentation Convent, 281 Masonic Ave., San Francisco 18, California; Illinois—Presentation Convent, Oregon, Illinois; Iowa—Mt. Loretto Convent, 1229 Mt. Loretto Ave., Dubuque, Iowa; Maine—Presentation Convent, 22 Walker St., Westbrook, Maine; Massachusetts—Holy Family Institute, South St., Fitchburg, Massachusetts; New York—Mt. St. Joseph, Newburg, New York; St. Colman's Presentation Convent, Watervliet, New York; Convent of Our Lady of The Presentation, 189 Howard Ave., Grymes Hill, Staten Island 1, New York; North Dakota—Presentation Convent, N. Broadway, Fargo, North Dakota; South Dakota—Presentation Convent, Aberdeen, South Dakota.

CONGREGATION OF THE PRESENTATION OF MARY

HISTORY: During the troubled days of the French Revolution in 1796. the Congregation of the Presentation of Mary was founded at Thuevts, Ardeche, France, by the Venerable Mother Rivier for the purpose of instructing the sadly neglected youth of her neighborhood. Though their first aim was to teach young girls, Anne-Marie Rivier and her companions devoted themselves to works of mercy, both spiritual and corporal. In 1801, the Rules of the new Community having been approved, Mother Rivier's reputation spread far and wide, and convents were established successively up to our present time, in France, Switzerland, England, Spain, Italy, Portugal, East Africa and Mozambique, Japan, the Philippines, and in the New World, in 1858, at St. Hyacinthe, Quebec. In 1948, four provinces were founded in Canada, at St. Hyacinthe, Sherbrook, Montreal, and Prince Albert; in the United States two provinces were



established, one at Hudson, N. H., and the other in Maine.

PURPOSE: In the New England States, the Congregation has conducted parochial schools since 1886, teaching pupils of all levels from the kindergarten to college inclusive, as follows: in New Hampshire; Rivier College, at Nashua; the Presentation of Mary Academy, at Hudson, and Our Lady of the Mountains Academy, at Gorham, all three are affiliated with the Catholic University, Washington, D. C. The Sisters also conduct 6 high schools, 5 boarding schools, 44 elementary schools, 4 kindergartens, and various works of mercy according to the needs of the localities.

QUALIFICATIONS:

*Postulants are accepted after their 16th birthday.

*Candidates must be of sound mind, of legitimate birth, of blameless reputation, have a fair memory and good will.

* Lack of funds is never an impediment for worthy applicants.

HABIT: The religious habit consists of a simple black dress with broad sleeves, a circular cape reaching to the waist, and a black bonnet with streamers knotted below the pectoral cross.

For further information please write to:

Reverend Mother, Presentation of Mary, Hudson, New Hampshire; Reverend Mother, Presentation of Mary, Biddeford Pool, Maine.



SISTERS OF PROVIDENCE Holyoke, Massachusetts

HISTORY: The Holvoke foundation of Sisters of Providence was laid in 1873, by a small band of religious from Kingston, Ontario, in an orphanage known as the "House of Providence''. Nineteen years later, at the suggestion of the Most Reverend Patrick T. O'Reilly, D.D., Bishop of Springfield, the Community was made diocesan, and since then has functioned as an independent branch of charity. From the small seed sown in 1873, the Community has grown into a vigorous organization, embracing various phases of charitable ministrations, and extending its activities along the Connecticut River Valley, and into the hillside country of the "Berkshires". The Community numbers approximately 500, and conducts hospitals, homes for the aged, orphanages, working girls' homes, day nurseries, and a sanatorium.

PURPOSE: Founded for the corporal works of mercy, the activities of

the Congregation center around the social phases of charity. These include the care of the sick, the aged, and the orphaned, and afford opportunities for the exercise of technical skill, executive ability, teaching, and other talents.

QUALIFICATIONS:

*High school and college degrees are required for registration in the various fields of hospital work, hence it is desirable that candidates have a high school education.

*No work is unimportant—where the high school diploma is wanting—the deficiency may be supplied by other special training or endowments.

*Entrance age is 16.

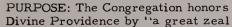
HABIT: The religious garb of the professed is a simple but becoming black habit, black veil, and a short circular cape. The insignia of dedication to Our Lady is also worn.

For further information please write to:

Reverend Mother, Providence Mother House, Holyoke, Massachusetts.

SISTERS OF PROVIDENCE Saint Mary-of-the-Woods Indiana

HISTORY: The Sisters of Providence from Ruille, France, came to Saint Mary-of-the-Woods on October 22, 1840. Leading the six missionaries was Mother Theodore Guerinan educator decorated by the French Government, and the only religious to whom the Ruille Superiors would confide the American foundation. Within a year the Sisters had begun their work of educating young girls, by opening what was to become the first chartered women's college in Indiana; within five years, they had laid the framework of their present widespread system of education. Today in that system, some 1400 Sisters teach 40,000 children in kindergartens, grade schools, secondary schools, and two collegesin five archdioceses and 11 dioceses. from New Hampshire to California, and from the Midwest to Texas.



for the glory of God, an ardent desire to acquire perfection, and to contribute to the sanctification of their neighbor." This is done through teaching and such supplementary activities as secretarial work, nursing, technical, and domestic positions.

QUALIFICATIONS: The applicant:

- *Must be the offspring of legitimate marriage.
- *Should have completed her fifteenth year.
- *Should have a serious, cheerful, agreeable character; good health; ability to be trained for teaching or a supplementary duty.
- *Makes a $2\frac{1}{2}$ year novitiate, then takes vows—temporary, then perpetual—of Poverty, Chastity, and Obedience.

HABIT: Simplicity of line and design characterizes the black wool habit, white linen neckerchief and headdress, black veil, and chaplet. A white crucifix, worn suspended from the neck, completes the garb.

For further information please write to:

Reverend Mother Marie Helene, Superior General, Sisters of Providence, Saint Mary-of-the-Woods, Indiana.



RELIGIOUS OF CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

HISTORY: The Congregation of the Religious of Christian Education had its origin in France, in 1817, through the efforts of Father Lafosse, who, while looking for catechists to combat the ravages of the French Revolution in his parish, founded a congregation of religious teachers. The Community spread and prospered until 1904, when a hostile French government, realizing that teaching nuns form the first battalion in Christ's army, unjustly closed and confiscated many of the Congregation's finest schools and colleges. God used this persecution to bring His beloved nuns to England, Belgium, and finally to America, where the first foundation was made in 1905. When the French political situation improved, the Congregation in that country again prospered, became a Papal Institute, and later spread to French Morocco. The Community which is represented in the Archdiocese of Boston, and the

Diocese of Raleigh, conducts eight schools and a junior college in the United States.

PURPOSE: The watchword of the Congregation: GOD BETTER KNOWN, GOD BETTER LOVED, GOD BETTER SERVED, summarizes its purpose, which is attained through the sanctification of the religious and the salvation of their students. The nuns seek great personal holiness while striving to form Christ in the souls confided to their training in private and parochial schools, catechism classes, vocation clubs, and sodalities.

QUALIFICATIONS:

*The foremost requisites are cheerfulness, a strong spirit of faith, and a deep personal love of Christ.

*Training or interest in teaching may be replaced by practical skills and aptitudes as Sisters are needed to do office work, nursing, kitchen and laundry work, in every house of the Congregation.

HABIT: The habit is black with wide sleeves and elbow length cape; a black veil, a white coif framing the face, a silver crucifix, and a lily symbolizing chastity, complete the religious garb.

For further information please write to:

Mistress of Novices, Jeanne d'Arc Academy, 1071 Blue Hill Avenue, Milton, Massachusetts.

THE RELIGIOUS OF THE DIVINE COMPASSION White Plains, New York

HISTORY: The Religious of the Divine Compassion, an American teaching Order, was founded in New York City in 1886 by the Right Reverend Monsignor Thomas S. Preston, V.G., aided by Mother M. Veronica as co-founder and first Superior General. Mary Caroline Dannat Starr, in religion Mother Mary Veronica, under the guidance of Monsignor Preston, directed the newly formed religious community as Foundress and first Superior General, until her death in August 1904. Gradually, as the Order grew, demands were made upon it to establish other schools, and thus the sphere of the Sisters' labors and influence was extended to several of the surrounding communities in Westchester County. At present, the Sisters conduct one college, Good Counsel College, three high schools, and six parochial schools. Preston High School in the Bronx,



begun in 1947, proudly commemorates the name of the Founder of the Order, Monsignor Thomas S. Preston.

PURPOSE: The principal end of the Institute is the education of the young in elementary schools, high schools and college, and the service of the poor by showing our Lord's Divine Compassion.

QUALIFICATIONS:

- *Age limit is 25 (exceptions are sometimes made).
- *Good health, education, a sound religious and moral character, and a desire to consecrate herself to the service of God are the main requirements.
- *Although high school education is desired, a grammar school education is sufficient.
- *Applicants will be trained for the work for which they have an ability.

HABIT: The habit is of black cashmere with a guimpe of black trimmed with red braid, symbol of the Precious Blood. A fifteen decade rosary, worn by all ranks, hangs from the belt on the right side. Those in final vows wear a gold ring and a silver and rosewood crucifix.

For further information please write to:

Rev. Mother Superior, Convent of Our Lady of Good Counsel, White Plains, New York.



RELIGIOUS OF THE HOLY UNION OF THE SACRED HEARTS

HISTORY: The Congregation of the Holy Union of the Sacred Hearts, was established to combat the scourge of religious ignorance which overran France in the early nineteenth century. It was founded by the Rev. John Baptist Debrabant, a humble curate at a parish Church in Douai, in the northern part of France, in 1826. With religious women, Miss Louise Mennecier and her associates, the holy Founder set out to build again the shattered edifice of Christian education by the instruction of youth. The work, being blessed by God, prospered; and from its humble beginnings in France, the work of this humble priest spread to Belgium, England, Ireland, Italy, South America, Africa, and the United States where the first foundation was made in 1886 at Fall River, Massachusetts.

PURPOSE: The work of the Holy Union, which has been approved by the Holy See, is chiefly concerned

with the education of youth, but it also includes domestic and social work in connection with the missions. The Missionary work of the Sisters embraces both Home and Foreign Missions.

QUALIFICATIONS:

*The age limit for entrance is from 17 to 30.

*Although high school or college education is desired, the Religious of the Holy Union accepts young girls upon graduation from the eighth grade.

HABIT: The Religious of the Holy Union of the Sacred Hearts wear a black habit, with a white coif and a silver cross.

For further information please write to:

Rev. Mother Provincial, 520 Rock St., Fall River, Massachusetts; Rev. Mother Provincial, Sacred Heart Province, Main St., Groton, Massachusetts.

RELIGIOUS OF THE SACRED HEART OF MARY Tarrytown, N. Y.

HISTORY: The Institute of the Religious of the Sacred Heart of Mary was founded in Beziers, Southern France, in 1849, by a saintly priest, Pere Gailhac. Gifted and zealous, Pere Gailhac was, at the age of forty, already "A Creator of Works"; at forty-seven he was a founder. Pope Leo XII approved the Rule of the Institute in 1899. Mother St. John, the first postulant, remarkable for her virtue and wisdom, is known as the Foundress. Before the end of the nineteenth century, the Religious were established in Ireland, Portugal, England, Spain, and the United States. By 1910 they were in Brazil, by 1926 in Italy, and by 1943 in Canada. The central house in America is Marymount College, Tarrytown, N. Y., the home of the late Mother Butler. The Novitiate is also located at Tarrytown.

PURPOSE: The purpose of the Institute is to promote the glory of God

by the personal sanctification of its members and by their work for souls. The particular work to which the Institute is dedicated is teaching. It maintains colleges, high schools, and elementary schools. In addition to the teaching religious, there are auxiliary Sisters who devote themselves to the material needs of the Institute.

QUALIFICATIONS:

- *The age for the admission of postulants is 16-25.
- *A high school diploma and a certificate of health are required of each applicant.
- *Willingness to conform whole-heartedly with the plan of life laid down by the Holy Rule is also necessary.

HABIT: The religious wear a blue serge habit and a head piece or coif of starched white linen. A small black veil is worn; for formal occasions there is added a long veil.

For further information please write to:

Mother Superior, Convent of the Sacred Heart of Mary, Tarrytown-on-Hudson, New York.



SISTERS OF THE RESURRECTION

HISTORY: The Congregation of the Sisters of the Resurrection, a Community consecrated and especially dedicated to the Immaculate Heart of Mary, was established by the saintly Mother Celine Borzecka and her daughter, Mother Hedwig. It evolved from the great idea of the Resurrection Fathers, whose leader, Father Peter Semenenko, felt that God would eventually found a Community of women, who, while living a contemplative life would engage in every type of work permitted by the Church. This Community which had its beginning on January 6, 1891, in Rome, Italy, has established two Provinces in the United States since its first foundation in 1900.

PURPOSE: The ultimate aim is the sanctification of its members through the threefold vows and the Rules of the Congregation. The secondary aim is to spread God's kingdom by engaging in various apostolic and educational work.

The Sisters conduct primary and secondary schools; serve the sick, the infirm, and the aged in hospitals and convalescent homes; organize societies, sodalities, retreats; and perform various charitable works.

QUALIFICATIONS:

- *Candidates are received between the ages of 15 and 35.
- *Women above 35 and widows may be received by special permission.
- *Good health, good will, and a supernatural motive are necessary qualifications for candidates.
- *Every type of work is open to the postulant who wishes to follow in the footsteps of the Risen Christ.

HABIT: The habit is of pleated black serge, with a black woolen cincture, a black veil, white cap, guimpe, and wimple. A silver cross is worn on the breast.

For further information please write to:

Rev. Mother Provincial, 7432 Talcott Ave., Chicago 31, Illinois; Rev. Mother Provincial, Mount St. Joseph, Castleton-on-the-Hudson, New York.

MAESTRE PIE VENERINI RELIGIOUS VENERINI SISTERS

HISTORY: The Ven. Rosa Venerini, whose cause for Beatification is now being considered, was born in Viterbo, Italy, on February 9, 1656. Following Divine inspiration and with the encouragement of her Jesuit Director, the Rev. Ignazio Martinelli, on August 29, 1685, Rosa Venerini opened at Viterbo the first free school for girls. This was followed a few years later by a foundation at Rome which continues today as the Motherhouse of the Congregation. In 1909 the daughters of Ven. Rosa Venerini were called to extend their work in favor of the youth of America. From the Novitiate at Fitchburg, Massachusetts, the Sisters go to teach in any of the various parishes in the Archdioceses of Boston and the Dioceses of Worcester, Springfield, Providence, and Albany. The Sisters conduct kindergarten, grammar, and high school classes in parochial schools, private academies, and boarding schools.



PURPOSE: Through the observance of the religious vows, community life, and a sustained endeavor to progress in holiness, the religious seek first of all the glory of God and their own personal sanctification. Then, through teaching and conducting centers of youth guidance, they strive to lead young souls to Christ.

QUALIFICATIONS:

- *Eighth grade graduates who have a religious vocation are eligible as candidates for the Juniorate.
- *Any Catholic girl, age 16-30, is eligible as an aspirant who:
 - *possesses the necessary mental, moral, and physical qualities
 - *is motivated by the right intention.

HABIT: The Sisters wear a modest black habit, a waist length cape, and woolen cincture; a black silk bonnet and veil, a ring, and a fifteen-decade rosary which bears the image of St. Ignatius of Loyola, the special patron of the Congregation, complete the religious garb.

For further information please write to:

Rev. Mistress of Novices, Venerini Novitiate, 84 Prospect Street, Fitchburg, Massachusetts.



SACRAMENTINE NUNS Yonkers, N. Y.

HISTORY: The Order of the Blessed Sacrament and of Our Lady (Sacramentine Nuns) which established a monastery in Yonkers, New York on April 8, 1912, upon the invitation of His Eminence John Cardinal Farley. then Archbishop of New York, was first founded in Marseilles, France, 1639, by the Venerable Antoine Le Quieu, O.P. Fifty-four years later, 1693, Pope Innocent XII approved the erection of this Holy Order into a Regular Monastery. Thirteen Sacramentine martyrs, from the first monastery founded in France. at Bollene, 1725, who were beatified in 1925, had the honor of offering their lives to God on the scaffold. during the diabolical days of the French Revolution, July, 1794. The Sisters survived the Revolution and established Monasteries throughout France, England, Belgium, and the United States. In 1935 the Constitutions were revised to accord with Canon Law.

PURPOSE: Solely to honor our Eucharistic Lord, to imitate His life of adoration, prayer, and reparation. "To adore for those who despise, to praise for those who blaspheme, to love for those who do not love." Principal occupation—ADORATION, DAY AND NIGHT, OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT. Choir Sisters chant Office, make altar breads, vestments, altar linens, and assist lay sisters with household duties.

QUALIFICATIONS: Applicants must:

*be at least 16, not more than 30

*have a healthy constitution, sound judgment

*be of legitimate birth, and happy, cheerful disposition. Choir Sisters must have at least a High School education.

A small dowry is required, but an exception may be made when necessary.

HABIT: Black habit, white scapular, white linen guimpe, white linen bandeau across forehead; veil of soft white cashmere; choir cloak, white wool serge; and two silver medals complete the religious garb.

For further information please write to:

Reverend Mother Superior, Monastery of the Blessed Sacrament, 23 Park Avenue, Yonkers 3, New York.

DAUGHTERS OF MARY HELP OF CHRISTIANS (SALESIAN SISTERS OF ST. JOHN BOSCO) Paterson, New Jersey

HISTORY: St. John Bosco! Few are the youthful souls who have not felt the charm of that irresistibly, lovable modern Saint. What many do not know is that he founded a Congregation of Sisters, the Daughters of Mary Help of Christians, which now numbers over 14,000 members the world over. Co-Foundress with St. John Bosco was Mary Mazzarello, a simple peasant girl who could scarcely write a syllable, but whose humility and holiness have raised her to the honors of canonization. The Salesian Sisters came into being in 1872, in Mornese, Italy. With its Motherhouse in Turin, Italy, it has established foundations in Europe, Asia, Africa, South America and in the United States, in 1908.

PURPOSE: Next to her own personal sanctification, the aim of the Daughter of Mary Help of Christians

is the salvation of souls in almost every conceivable branch of youth work; kindergartens, academies, orphanages, boarding houses for working girls and students, summer camps, recreation centers etc.,—plus countless foreign mission posts, for volunteers only.

QUALIFICATIONS: Who can become a Salesian Sister?

*Any young girl 12-25 may enter (exceptions made for older girls).

*Since no particular talents are required she must have a good will, sound mind and body, and good moral habits.

*There is room in the Congregation for every type of activity, for a Salesian is at home behind a desk as she is in the playground, kitchen, sewing machine, or occupied at any number of miscellaneous tasks.

HABIT: She wears a black habit and cape, a white guimpe, bonnet and headband covered with a trim black veil. Around her neck she wears a silver metal crucifix on black wood. The habit, designed to be simple and practical has the added advantage of being comfortable to wear.

For further information please write to:

Rev. Mother Provincial, 41 Ward Street, Paterson 1, New Jersey.



SISTERS OF THE DIVINE SAVIOR (SALVATORIANS)

HISTORY: Founded on December 8. 1888 in Tivoli, near Rome, by Father Francis of the Cross (Jordan) with the aid of Mother Mary of the Apostles, the Sisters of the Divine Savior now number more than 1.400 members. The Congregation is a Papal Institute, international in character with its General Motherhouse in Rome. It has establishments throughout Europe, Asia, and North and South America. The first pioneer Sisters came to the United States in 1895, to do social nursing in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, where the present Provincial House is located.

PURPOSE: The Sisters of the Divine Savior conduct numerous schools, hospitals, homes for the aged, and orphanages throughout the country.

QUALIFICATIONS: The aspirancy introduces the young applicant to the postulancy which usually lasts at least six months. At the com-

pletion of this period, the postulant, if found qualified, is invested with the Holy Habit, and receives the white veil of the novice. At the close of the canonical year of Novitiate, she pronounces the Holy Vows and becomes a professed Sister. The Perpetual Vows are taken after six years of temporary vows. Who can be accepted?

*Any Catholic girl who is not debarred by any legitimate impediment, who is inspired by a right intention, and fit to bear the burdens of religious life.

* Young girls who are in good health and under 30 years of age.

*N.B. Poverty is no bar to entrance into this community.

For further information please write to:

Vocational Director, St. Mary's Convent, 3516 West Center Street, Milwaukee 10, Wisconsin.

SCHOENSTATT SISTERS OF MARY OF THE CATHOLIC APOSTOLATE

HISTORY: The Schoenstatt Sisters of Mary of the Catholic Apostolate, who received Ecclesiastical Approval as a Secular Institute in 1948, were founded in Schoenstatt (Vallendar) Rhine, Germany, in 1926, by the saintly Father Joseph Kentenich, S.A.C. The background of the Sisterhood is the Apostolic Movement of Schoenstatt, a form of Catholic Action, and today, perhaps one of the most powerful in Germany and other parts of the world. The desire of a number of members who wished to devote their lives entirely to the tasks of the Catholic Apostolate resulted in the foundation of the Congregation. Since 1926 it has spread throughout Europe, America, Africa, and Australia, and now numbers approximately 2000 members. In 1949 the first establishments in the United States were made in Rockport, Texas, 620 Lipan Street, Corpus Christi, Texas, and in Madison 4, (R.F.D. 5), Wisconsin.



PURPOSE: Aiming at a specific Marian and apostolic formation of womanhood as their contribution to the Christian renewal of the world, the Sisters apply themselves to every type of educational and social work.

QUALIFICATIONS:

- *The Institute includes intern and extern members.
- *Applicants for the interns are admitted (as a rule) from 20 to 27 years of age, externs may be older.
- *Conditions of acceptance are, health of soul and body, and an intelligence above average.

HABIT: The interns wear a habit that is a testimony for the Marian and apostolic character of the Sisterhood; blue and white in color, a womanly dress and simple veil; a uniform that allows the Sisters under normal circumstances every type of apostolic activity.

For further information please write to:

Rev. Mother Superior, The Convent, P.O. Box 667, Rockport, Texas.



SERVITE SISTERS OF THE MANTELLATE

HISTORY: St. Juliana Folconiere. (1270-1341) who was born in Florence, Italy, in 1270 and received the Rule for the Third Order of Servites from St. Philip Benizi, illustrious in the Order of the Servants of Mary, founded the Third Order of Servites or Mantellate Sisters, in Florence, Italy, in the thirteenth century. The Servite Fathers of the Order of the Servants of Mary, who are especially devoted to the Sorrowful Mother, were founded on Assumption Day in the year 1233, by seven holy Noblemen of Florence. While living a community life of prayer and penance, the Mother of Sorrows miraculously appeared to them and told them to retire from the world and establish the Order of her Servants under the Rule of St. Augustine. It was this message which permeated the soul of St. Juliana and which is reflected in the life of the Sisterhood she established almost 700 years ago.

PURPOSE: The purpose of the Mantellate is twofold: first to promulgate, through word and example, devotion and compassion to the Sorrowful Mother; second, to educate the youth and to nurse the sick through hospital foundations.

QUALIFICATIONS:

- * Candidates must not be over 30.
- *Length of Postulancy, six months.
- *The Novitiate lasts one year.
- *Temporal vows for two periods of three years each, followed by perpetual vows.

HABIT: The Servite Sisters wear a black habit in honor of the Sorrows of Mary, with a black veil lined with white, a close fitting white wimple, and a long black scapular. The image of a Host is worn on the scapular over the heart in remembrance of the miracle wrought at the death of St. Juliana.

For further information please write to:

Rev. Mother Superior, Mater Dolorosa Seminary, Hillside, Illinois.

THE SOCIETY OF THE SACRED HEART OF JESUS

HISTORY: The Society of the Sacred Heart was founded in 1800 by Saint Madeline Sophie Barat. It was born of an urgent need for a new type of education for girls, and the necessity of combating the effects of Jansenism and the terrors of the French Revolution. The education of Madeline Sophie had been directed by her brother, Louis Barat, a brilliant scholar. This training embodied the best traditions of Catholic and classical learning. She also received from this priestbrother a strong character formation. Under the guidance of Joseph Varin, S.J., Mother Barat founded the Society which she governed for sixty years. Blessed Philippine Duchesne opened the first Convent of the Order in America in 1818, at St. Charles, Missouri.

PUR POSE: The purpose of the Society is to glorify and to spread the worship of the Sacred Heart by laboring for the sanctification of its

members and for the salvation of souls. The religious devote themselves to prayer, teaching, missions, and other works of zeal.

QUALIFICATIONS:

- *A desire to consecrate one's life generously to God.
- *A well rounded education—and the ability to lead a selfsacrificing, community life.
- *Less formal education is needed by the Sisters who devote themselves to the material duties of the Convent.

HABIT: The habit is a simple black dress with a cape. A long veil is worn over a white cap with a fluted border. A rosary, a silver cross, and a plain ring complete the habit.

For further information please write to the Rev. Mother Vicar at any one of the following Vicariates:

Convent of the Sacred Heart, Albany 2, New York; Convent of the Sacred Heart, Villa Duchesne, Clayton 24, Missouri; Convent of the Sacred Heart, 2610 San Diego Ave., San Diego 10, California; Convent of the Sacred Heart, 8101 Rockville Pike, Washington 14, D. C.



SISTERS OF THE SACRED HEART

HISTORY: A twenty year old girl who operated an underground for hunted priests and Catholics during the French Revolution, founded the Sisters of the Sacred Heart at Saint Jacut, Brittany, France. This second Joan of Arc, ANGELIQUE LE SOURD. had all the zeal of her fiery French predecessor. Watching her beloved country crumble under moral and political decay, Angelique decided to organize a Congregation of Sisters who would battle the forces of ignorance and godlessness. In 1816 the small society was approved with the title, SISTERS OF SACRED HEART. spreading to Belgium, England, and Canada the first pioneer Sisters came to Texas in 1903. The Sisters smoothly blend the contemplative life of prayer with the busy life of teaching and Texas mission work.

PURPOSE: The Sisters of the Sacred Heart aim at their personal sanctification through the simple vows of Poverty, Chastity, and Obedience and

the observance of their Constitutions. While primarily engaged in teaching, both in private and parochial schools, other aptitudes find development in nursing and home economics departments.

QUALIFICATIONS: Any Catholic young girl who is:

*not debarred by any legitimate impediment

*inspired by the right intention

*fit to bear the burden of the religious life

*not over 30 years of age, can be admitted into the Congregation.

HABIT: The habit, a black serge garb, the headdress, a white linen coiffe covered with a light nun's veiling, and a silver crucifix hanging over the chest, form an ensemble, simple but becoming.

For further information please write to:

Reverend Mother Agnes Marie, S.S.C.J., Blanco Road, Rt. 2, Box 300, San Antonio 1, Texas.

SISTERS OF THE SACRED HEARTS (SS. CC.)

HISTORY: "The Congregation of the Sacred Hearts may be said to have originated in the Tabernacle and for the Tabernacle." It started in Poitiers, at the height of the French Revolution, when all religious orders were being persecuted and suppressed. The instrument used by God in the realization of His designs for the founding of this new Order was the young Countess Henriette Aymer de la Chevalerie. Imprisoned in 1793, and sentenced to death for having given shelter to a Catholic priest, she was providentially released after a year of seclusion. Upon regaining her freedom, in 1794, the young Countess decided to give herself entirely and wholeheartedly to Our Blessed Lord. In 1797, Countess Henriette, now called "Mother Henriette" or "the Good Mother," with a few companions and the help and encouragement of Father Coudrin, her co-Founder, started her beautiful work, which



was approved by the Holy See in 1817, by the Bull SUB PLUMBO "Pastor Aeternus."

PURPOSE: Besides devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus, its members render to the Immaculate Heart of Mary a homage of filial tenderness. The Sisters of the Sacred Hearts who make simple vows of Poverty, Chastity, and Obedience, have numerous establishments in France, Rome, Spain, Holland, Belgium, England, Ireland, Canada, the United States, South America, and Hawaii. The Sisters, besides adoration, engage in educational, catechetical, and household works, in boarding and parochial schools, and guest houses.

QUALIFICATIONS: Any young girl, with a sound and serious vocation, may be admitted into the Congregation provided:

- * she be between 15 and 28
- *she has a well balanced and generous disposition, ordinary intelligence, common sense, and normal good health.

HABIT: The religious habit of the Sisters is of white woolen material with a white scapular having on it a medallion of the Sacred Hearts, a white veil, and a choir mantle. A red mantle is worn when the Sisters succeed each other in the adoration vigil.

For further information please write to:

Rev. Mother Superior, Sacred Hearts Convent, 330 Main Street, Fairhaven, Massachusetts.



SISTERS OF SOCIAL SERVICE

HISTORY: The Society of the Sisters of Social Service, which was founded in Budapest, Hungary, in 1908, adopted its present form in 1923, in response to the proven need for a consecrated group of women who would devote their lives to coping with the social problems drastically affecting society. The members take the vows of Poverty, Chastity, Obedience, and fraternal charity after a three-year novitiate. The program of service to the Church and to souls in the vast field of social welfare spread rapidly, and today the Society works in twentyone dioceses in seven countries, including the United States and Canada. The first American branch was established in 1926 in Los Angeles. California. There are five other houses in California, as well as houses in Kansas City, Missouri, and Buffalo, New York.

PURPOSE: The aim of the Society is to equip young women who have the vocation for the life, and who

are spiritually trained so that they may serve society in its manifold needs arising from social, religious, economic, cultural, and civic conditions, especially where those conditions influence women, children, and family life. The Sisters are active in all forms of charitable and welfare work. They work in Catholic social agencies; carry on social welfare programs, family visiting, settlement houses, residence for working girls, and also a retreat house for women. They conduct religious vacation schools, and a summer camp for girls.

QUALIFICATIONS: Young women between the ages of 18-30 are accepted. The following essentials are also required:

- *good health
- *high school education
- * recommendations
- *a dowrv.

HABIT: The Sisters wear a simple gray uniform and the emblem of the Society, a silver medal bearing the Dove, the symbol of the Holy Spirit. For street wear the uniform is completed by a narrow brimmed hat of matching color, from which drops a soft grey veil. Indoors, the head is left uncovered.

For further information please write to:

Provincial Superior, 1120 Westchester Place, Los Angeles 19, California.

SISTERS OF SERVICE

MISSIONARY SISTERS IN "THE FIELD AT HOME"

HISTORY: The Religious Community. of the Sisters of Service was founded in Toronto, Canada, in 1922, by two Redemptorist Fathers, Rev. Arthur Coughlan and Rev. George T. Daly. At this time, the many thousands of immigrant Catholics who had already settled in the prairies of Western Canada were without Churches or Catholic schools. The alarming number of families who had either given up their religion or were in the danger of drifting from the Faith, prompted the foundation of the Sisters of Service. These Sisters devote their lives to this rural population with the object of instructing the children and developing happy Catholic settlements. The Sisters were first established in the United States at Fargo, No. Dakota in 1939.

PURPOSE: To meet the specific need for which they were founded the Sisters engage in the following activities: teaching in rural



schools; conducting religious vacation schools; teaching religion to children in isolated districts through their Religious Correspondence Schools; operating small hospitals in rural districts and visiting the sick in their homes; conducting residential clubs for girls in the larger cities; and meeting and assisting immigrants at the ports of entry.

QUALIFICATIONS:

- *An earnest desire to sanctify one's soul.
- *A strong inclination to devote one's life to the missionary work of the Sisters of Service.
- *A character above reproach; sound judgment; mental and physical qualities necessary for undertaking or being fitted for some branch of the work of the Institute.
- *Applicants are received between the ages of seventeen and thirty years.

HABIT: The habit is grey, with white collar and cuffs, the head-dress being somewhat like that of a nurse; a silver cross, and a plain silver ring completes the religious garb.

For further information please write to:

Reverend Sister General, Sisters of Service, 2 Wellesley Place, Toronto 5, Canada; Religious Correspondence School, 401 Seventh Ave., S., Fargo, North Dakota.



THE SISTERS OF THE SORROWFUL MOTHER

HISTORY: This Community was founded in Rome in 1883 by the Servant of God, Mother Frances Streitel, an ardent lover of the simplicity and poverty of St. Francis of Assisi. In 1885, the Institute was approved as a diocesan Institute. The first mission, St. Francis Hospital, Wichita, Kansas, was undertaken in 1889. Since then, over sixty foundations have been made in the United States. Germany, Austria, and Italy. In 1911, it received the final approbation of the Holy See. Although it is not yet divided into provinces, there are, in addition to the general motherhouse and novitiate in Rome, an American motherhouse and novitiate in Milwaukee, Wisconsin, and a novitiate house in Abenberg, Germany.

PURPOSE: The Sisters of the Sorrowful Mother, an active-contemplative Congregation of the Third Order of St. Francis, has for its main purpose the sanctification of

its members and for its secondary purpose, works of Christian charity in the care of the sick, homes for the aged, hospitals, a health resort, orphanages, schools (parish, catechetical, domestic science, and kindergarten), a retreat house, and a pilgrim house.

QUALIFICATIONS:

- * Young girls must have the right intention, that is, they must aim at self-sanctification and desire to work for the salvation of others.
- *They must possess good morals and a good reputation, and be physically and mentally fit.

*Applicants are admitted as aspirants between the ages of 13 and 16 and as postulants from 17 to 30.

HABIT: The Sisters wear a simple dark grey woolen habit, a black veil with a stiff white lining, a starched one-piece muslin wimple and a black rosary. The Professed Sisters wear a medal of the Sorrowful Mother, with the image of a monstrance on the reverse side.

For further information please write to:

Ven. Mother Superior, Convent of the Sorrowful Mother, 6718 Cedarburg Road, Milwaukee 9, Wisconsin.

THE SOCIETY OF ST. TERESA OF JESUS

HISTORY: The Society of St. Teresa of Jesus was founded by Reverend Father Enrique de Osso in Terragona, Spain, on the feast of the Sacred Heart, 1876. The first eight sisters made their profession in January, 1877. The Society soon spread throughout Spain. In a few years schools were opened in Portugal, Africa, Italy, Mexico, Cuba, South America, the United States, and the Canary Islands. By 1898 there were thirty-eight schools. At the present time the membership of the Society is almost 3000. There are 62 schools in which some 19,000 students are educated. The Motherhouse is in Barcelona, Spain. The Congregation is divided into four provinces, each with its own novitiate. The Novitiate of St. Francis de Sales in San Antonio, Texas, serves the North American province.

PURPOSE: The end of the Society is the personal sanctification of its members through the religious life,

and the sanctification of others through the apostolate of teaching. Prayer, teaching, magnanimity, and sacrifice are the distinctive marks of the Congregation, and <u>Vivat Jesus</u>—its motto.

QUALIFICATIONS:

- *The will to dedicate one's self to the service of God in the person of His little ones in a teaching order.
- * Young ladies are admitted between the ages of 16 and 30.
- *They must come from good, respectable families with no background of insanity, scandal, etc., and be in good health.

HABIT: The habit is dark brown with a double cape, white collar and cuffs. The professed Sisters wear a black fluted cap with a black veil. They wear a large crucifix under the cape. The Sisters doing missionary work in Africa wear a white habit, cap, and veil.

For further information please write to:

Mother Superior, Saint Teresa's Academy, 4018 So. Presa Street, San Antonio 10, Texas.



SISTERS OF ST. THOMAS OF VILLANOVA Missionary—Nursing Teaching Sisters

HISTORY: St. Thomas of Villanova, a religious of the Augustinian Order and Archbishop of Valencia, Spain, died in 1556, and was canonized by Pope Alexander VII, in 1658. Three years later in 1661, a religious of the same Order, Reverend Pere Le Proust, gave the name of the great apostle of Charity, to a new Order of Nuns, which he founded in Lamballe, Brittany, France. Although the Community was founded primarily to re-organize the poorest and most abandoned hospitals in France, the Society has since added the work of the missions and the education of youth to their work for God and souls. The Congregation has established houses in Africa, Belgium, France, Italy, Eire, England, and the United States where the first foundation was made in 1948.

PURPOSE: The Sisters of St. Thomas of Villanova, who take the three simple vows of Poverty, Chastity, and Obedience, are engaged in the following activities: hospitals, schools, nursing academies, convalescent homes for children, adults, and aged persons, Catholic action, and missionary work.

OUALIFICATIONS:

- *The Rule of the Order forbids undue pressure by the Sisters, thus leaving the candidates complete freedom of choice.
- *In addition to common sense, solid piety, and a sense of humor, aspirants must have a sincere desire to acquire the virtues necessary to the perfection of religious life.
- *Moral references, medical certificates with X-Ray films, and vaccination test results must be furnished.
- *Diplomas are useful but not obligatory, for the admission of a candidate.

HABIT: The Sisters of St. Thomas of Villanova wear a black habit and veil. In the hospitals and missions a white habit and veil are worn.

For further information please write to:

Rev. Mother Superior, Sisters of St. Thomas of Villanova, "Ferndale," Norwalk, Connecticut.

THE SOCIETY OF ST. URSULA OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN

HISTORY: The Society of St. Ursula of the Blessed Virgin was founded in 1606 at Dole, France, by Venerable Anne de Xainctonge. This first noncloistered teaching Order was established to offer all girls, rich or poor, a thorough Christian education hitherto enjoyed by a select few. For twenty years Anne de Xainctonge struggled against opposition and apathy before founding the Society that for 345 years has carried on the apostolate of education in France, Switzerland, and Germany despite persecution and even temporary disbandment under the French Revolution, the Kulturkampf, and the Nazi regime. After many Institutions were made throughout Europe the Society established its first foundation in New York on November 9, 1901.

PURPOSE: The purpose of the Society is the personal sanctification of its members by the observance of the vows and the Rule, and the



salvation of souls mainly through the work of education in academies, schools, teacher training, catechetical work, and sodalities. Organization of Cana Conferences, and retreats for women as well as direction of orphanages and other charitable institutions are also included in the scope of the Society's works.

QUALIFICATIONS:

- *Age: 17 to 35 (subject to the usual Canonical modifications).
- *Candidates must satisfy the usual requirements of Canon Law regarding moral fitness, normal health, and average intelligence.
- *Applicants must have a sincere desire to devote themselves to the service of God and the salvation of souls.

HABIT: The habit is black with a small white pleated guimpe. The habit with its pointed bonnet and dipping coiffe was originally the simple widow's costume of the Mary Stuart era, the early 1600's when the Society was founded. A silver crucifix is suspended around the neck and a large black rosary hangs from the braided cincture at the waist.

For further information please write to:

Rev. Mother Superior, Convent of St. Ursula, Marygrove, Kingston, New York.



HISTORY: The Order of St. Ursula. founded by Angela Merici in Brescia, Italy, in 1535, was the first group of women in the Church to be dedicated to the teaching of girls. The Ursulines of the Congregation of Paris were formed in 1572; from this Congregation the Venerable Mary of the Incarnation became the first woman missionary to settle in Quebec, 1639; likewise, in 1727 a group of French Ursulines landed in New Orleans to found the first Catholic School for girls in America. During the fall of the year 1900 over 100 Ursuline Congregations, which are being augmented yearly, from all over the world united to form the Roman Union of Ursulines. The Ursuline Order, of which there are a few independent Motherhouses existing in the United States, founded the first Catholic college for Women in the State of New York at New Rochelle in 1904.

PURPOSE: The Ursulines, who take the three simple vows, have

from their very beginning been engaged in teaching. By means of a personal and social formation in a Catholic family atmosphere, Ursulines through the centuries have prepared thoroughly Catholic women for the Church and society in parochial schools, academies, and colleges in all parts of the world and in missions in Asia, Africa, South America, and Alaska.

QUALIFICATIONS:

- *Completion of high school; some college work is recommended.
- *Health and the ability to fulfill the obligations of the Ursuline life.
- *Girls may enter as teachers or as coadjutrix Sisters, who spend their lives in prayer and the auxiliary services essential to education.
- *All have the same probation, pronounce the same vows and enjoy in common all the spiritual and temporal benefits.
- *In the Ursulines of the Roman Union a tertianship of six months is made in Rome about ten years after the first Profession.

HABIT: The Sisters of the Roman Union wear a black habit and veil fastened by a cincture; white is worn in the tropics. The Ursulines of Paris wear a black habit with a long trailing Church mantle and a leather cincture of St. Augustine.

For further information please write to the Rev. Mother Superior at the nearest Ursuline Convent listed below:

URSULINE NUNS OF THE ROMAN UNION

Central Province—Ursuline Provincialate, 399 S. Sappington Rd., Kirkwood 22, Missouri; Eastern Province—Ursuline Provincialate, 29 Castle Pl., New Rochelle, New York; Franco-American Vice-Province—Ursuline Vice-Provincialate, Belgrade, Maine; Western Vice-Province—Ursuline Vice-Provincialate 551 "B" St., Santa Rosa, California;

URSULINE NUNS OF THE CONGREGATION OF PARIS

Kentucky—Ursuline Motherhouse of the Immaculate Conception, 3115 Lexington Rd., Louisville, Kentucky; Mt. St. Joseph Motherhouse, Maple Mount P.O., St. Joseph, Kentucky; Ohio—St. Ursula Convent, 1339 E. Mc Millan St., Walnut Hills, Cincinnati, Ohio; Ursuline Motherhouse, Villa Angela, 17001 Lake Shore Blvd., Cleveland, Ohio; Immaculate Heart of Mary Convent, St. Martin, Ohio; Ursuline Convent of the Sacred Heart, 2413 Collingwood Blvd., Toledo, Ohio; Pennsylvania—Ursuline Motherhouse, 201 S. Winebiddle Ave., Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania;

The following Convents of the Ursuline Nuns are independent Motherhouses.

Kansas—Ursuline Convent of Our Lady of Lourdes, East Miami St., Paola, Kansas; Michigan—Ursuline Academy of Our Lady of the Straits, St. Ignace, Michigan; New York—Ursuline Vicariate, Blue Point, Long Island, New York; Ohio—St. Ursula's Convent, 615 Ross St., Caldwell, Ohio; Ursuline Convent, 3650 Logan Rd., Youngstown 4, Ohio; Texas—Ursuline Convent, 1316 Galveston St., Laredo, Texas.



URSULINE SISTERS OF MT. CALVARY Belleville, Illinois

HISTORY: The Ursulines of Mt. Calvary are a branch of the great Ursuline Order founded by St. Angela, in 1535 in Italy for the education of girls. The Congregation has its Motherhouse at Mt. Calvary, Ahrweiler. The American branch established itself in North Dakota, in 1910, and since 1945 has its central house in Belleville, Illinois.

PURPOSE: The educational activities of the Ursulines of Belleville, Illinois, offer a challenge to highminded young women, willing to dedicate themselves to the pioneer work inherent in beginnings. It conducts kindergartens, grade, high, and boarding schools in Illinois and North Dakota. Rural catechetical schools, vacation schools, Sunday catechism classes and study clubs are all included in the Ursuline field of activity. Education has always been their most noble work and is their exclusive activity. However,

all types of talents, and all varieties of avocations are welcomed in the many specialized fields needed to fulfill this main purpose.

QUALIFICATIONS:

- *Young girls at the age of thirteen may enter the Aspirants' School at Belleville, Illinois, or at St. Agnes Academy, Kenmare, North Dakota, for high school training.
- * The aspirantship is followed by a one-year's postulancy and a two-year's Novitiate.
- *At the end of this time the Sisters take temporary vows for three years, preceding their perpetual vows.

HABIT: The Sisters wear a black garb, a cincture with knots symbolic of the three religious vows, and a large rosary.

For further information please write to:

Mother Mary Barbara, 1026 North Douglas Ave., Belleville, Illinois.

VINCENTIAN SISTERS OF CHARITY Perrysville, Pennsylvania

HISTORY: At the close of the nineteenth century, the mid-Europeans migrating to this country found themselves severely handicapped in the practice of their religion, on account of the language difficulty to which they could not easily adjust themselves. In order to preserve the faith of these immigrants, it was necessary to provide priests, who could speak their tongue, to minister to them. These, in turn realized that without the aid of the Sisters, they could do very little for such a vast multitude of hungry souls. It was in response to this crying need, that five Sisters of Charity under the direction of Mother M. Emerentiana from Sathmar (then Austria Hungary) volunteered. They arrived in Braddock, Pennsylvania, on November 14, 1902. Since a branch of the Mother Seton Sisters of Charity was already established in the Pittsburgh Diocese,



Bishop Canevin of blessed memory, named this group "The Vincentian Sisters of Charity" in order to distinguish the two Communities.

PURPOSE: The Community, which is represented in the dioceses of Albany, Altoona, Cleveland, Greensburg, Kansas City, Mobile, Toledo, and Youngstown, is engaged in the following activities: the care of the sick in hospitals and nursing homes for the convalescent and the incurable; retreat houses, social and catechetical centers, and missionary work among the poor colored people of the South.

QUALIFICATIONS: Any young Catholic lady, not over 35, may be accepted into this Community who is:

* of good character—of sound mind and body

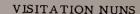
*not prevented by any impediment, and is inspired by a right intention

*able to fulfill the duties required by the Congregation.

HABIT: The habit of the Sisters is of black serge material with a scapular attached to the front. The head dress consists of a bonnet, coiffe, collar, and a black veil. A six decade rosary hangs from the girdle at the left side.

For further information please write to:

Rev. Mother Superior, St. Vincent Hill, P.O. Box 118, Perrysville, Pennsylvania.





HISTORY: The Order of Visitation Nuns was founded in Annecy, in the Duchy of Savoy, France, June 6, 1610, by Saint Francis de Sales, Bishop of Geneva, and Saint Jane de Chantal-who was a mother of four children, besides being the first superior and co-Foundress of the Visitation Nuns. Sixteen years later (1626) the Order received official approbation from Pope Urban VIII. According to the Rules of the Visitandines each house functions as an independent foundation under the immediate jurisdiction of the Ordinary of the diocese in which they are located. The Visitandines spread rapidly throughout the world; France, Italy, Switzerland, Austria, Belgium, Holland, England, Spain, Portugal, Canada, Latin America, and Syria. The first foundation was established in the United States at Georgetown, Washington, D.C., in 1799. Today there are 20 separate, independent Congregations located throughout the United States.

PURPOSE: The aim of the Holy Founders was to secure the benefit of the religious life for women who had neither the physical strength nor the attraction for the corporeal austerities at that time general in religious orders. While holding fast to the monastic traditions of their cloistered life, the Visitandines, with the exception of the Monasteries in Toledo, Wilmington, New York (Riverdale), Richmond, Philadelphia, and Bethesda, Maryland, are all engaged in teaching in educational institutions at their Convents. Meditation, Holy Mass, Daily recitation of the Little Office of the Blessed Virgin in choir, manual work, and the other exercises of the religious life are the principle duties.

QUALIFICATIONS:

- *St. Francis wished his order to be a harbor for those desiring religious life.
- *There is no age limit.
- *Widows are accepted.
- *The principle requirements are sufficient health to follow the Rule and a generosity to walk with Christ in the way of perfection.

HABIT: The habits are simply made of black serge. Girdle, silver cross, rosary, a white linen barbette and a black binder complete the religious garb.

For further information please write to the Rev. Mother Superior at the nearest Visitation Motherhouse listed below:

VISITATION NUNS

Alabama-Visitation Convent, 2300 Spring Hill Ave., Mobile, Alabama; Delaware—Monastery of the Visitation, B.V.M., 2002 Bancroft Parkway, Wilmington 51, Delaware; Illinois-Visitation Convent, 2000 Sixteenth Ave., Rock Island, Illinois; Monastery of the Visitation, 1820 Ponce de Leon Ave., N. E., Atlanta, Georgia. Kentucky - Cardome Visitation Convent, Georgetown, Kentucky; Maryland - Academy of the Visitation, 5712 Roland Avenue, Baltimore 10, Maryland; Convent of the Visitation, Mount de Sales, Catonsville 28, Maryland; Frederick Academy of Visitation, 200 East Second St., Frederick, Maryland; Monastery of the Visitation, Bethesda, Maryland; Minnesota - Convent of the Visitation, 720 Fairmount Ave., St. Paul 5, Minnesota; Missouri-St. de Chantal Academy of Visitation, Elfindale, Springfield, Missouri; Visitation Convent, 5448 Cabanne Ave., St. Louis 12, Missouri; New York-Monastery of the Visitation, Ridge Blvd., & 89th St., Brooklyn 9, New York; Monastery of the Visitation, 256th St., & Arlington Ave., New York 71, New York; Ohio-Monastery of the Visitation (Contemplative) 1745 Parkside Blvd., Toledo 7, Ohio; Pennsylvania - Convent of the Sisters of Visitation, 5820 City Line Ave., Philadelphia 31, Pennsylvania; Virginia—Visitation Convent, 2209 E. Grace St., Richmond, Virginia; Washington -- Visitation Villa, 10015 Gravelly Lake Dr. S.W., Tacoma, Washington; Washington, D.C. - Georgetown Visitation Convent, 1500 35th St., Washington 7, D.C; West Virginia-Visitation Convent, Murdock Ave., De Sales Heights, Parkersburg, West Virginia; Mount de Chantal Convent of the Visitation, Wheeling, West Virginia.



MISSIONARY FRANCISCAN SISTERS OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

HISTORY: The Institute of Missionary Franciscan Sisters of the Immaculate Conception was founded in Belle Prairie, Minnesota, in 1873 by Mother Mary Ignatius of Jesus. The Motherhouse, which was later transferred to Rome, was confirmed by a decree of the Holy See, on June 11, 1881. Since their first foundation in Belle Prairie the Sisters have spread throughout the United States. The Missionary Franciscans have establishments in the Archdioceses of New York, Boston, Philadelphia, Chicago, and Montreal, and in the Dioceses of Brooklyn, Pittsburgh, Savannah, Newark, St. Cloud. Rockford, and Syracuse. Their missionary labors extend to the continents of Africa, Australia, and Europe.

PURPOSE: The primary end of the Institute is the sanctification of its members by the observance of the

Evangelical Counsels. Its secondary object is to labor for the salvation of souls by means of schools, academies, catechetical centers and orphanages, irrespective of class or color. Another work is parish-visiting—bringing back the lax and negligent Catholics to a sense of duty, as well as instructing those who wish to enter the Catholic Church.

QUALIFICATIONS:

- *Aspirants from 16 to 30 years of age are admitted into the Novitiate.
- *All applicants must furnish evidence of their mental, physical, and spiritual fitness for the religious life.
- *A high school education, although desirable, is not essential, as professional training is an integral part of the second year of noviceship and is continued after Holy Profession.

HABIT: The habit of the Sisters consists of a tunic, scapular, and a mantle of brown woolen cloth; a white woolen cord with three knots, from which hangs at the left the Franciscan Crown, a medal bearing the effigy of the Immaculate Virgin and of our Seraphic Father, a white cap, guimpe, and band, a black woolen veil, and a silver ring complete the religious vesture.

For further information please write to:

Immaculate Conception Convent, 20 Manet Road, Chestnut Hill 67, Newton, Massachusetts.

SISTERS OF THE HOLY GHOST

HISTORY: The Congregation of the Sisters of the Holy Ghost was founded by the saintly Bishop Francis Regis Canevin, who established it in 1913. The first motherhouse was founded at Donora, but in 1923 the present location on Clarwin Avenue, West View, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, was chosen for the Community's headquarters. The members of the Congregation practice a special devotion to the Third Person of the Blessed Trinity and aim to glorify the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost by consecrating themselves, by the vows of religion, to work out their own perfection, and to labor for the salvation of their neighbor, humbly relying on the grace and power of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

PURPOSE: The principal work of the Congregation is the education and care of youth in parochial and private schools; the care of the aged and infirm in their aged homes; and the nursing of the sick in hospitals.



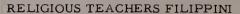
QUALIFICATIONS:

- *Aspirants must possess good health, a becoming exterior, a sound mind, ordinary mental abilities, and a blameless reputation.
- *They must be cheerful, with a gentle and docile disposition, and have a love for the religious life.
- *Candidates must also have a readiness to obey every regulation, and to perform any duty of teaching or other work which may be assigned by the superior.

HABIT: The Sisters wear a plain habit of black woolen serge; a black girdle with a rosary of seven decades; a black scapular, and a square white collar. They cover their heads with a white linen cap and a coif to which a linen and black veil is pinned.

For further information please write to:

Rev. Mother Superior, Sisters of the Holy Ghost, 5246 Clarwin Avenue, Pittsburgh 29, Pennsylvania.





HISTORY: The Pontifical Institute of the Religious Teachers Filippini was founded in 1692 in Montefiascone, Italy, by Saint Lucia Filippini. She was canonized a saint by His Holiness, Pope Pius XI, June 22, 1930. In August 1910, five of these Sisters left Italy, and established their first school in the United States in the parish of St. Joachim, Trenton, New Jersey. The Motherhouse and Novitiate are located at Villa Walsh, Morristown, New Jersey. The Institute at present has foundations in the Archdioceses of Newark, New York, and Baltimore, and in the Dioceses of Trenton, Camden, Paterson, Cleveland, Rochester, Hartford, Ogdensburg, Providence, Scranton, Albany, Pittsburgh, and Philadelphia.

PURPOSE: The aim of the Institute is the promotion of the glory of God, the sanctification of its members, and the christian education of youth. The principle types of work include teaching in elementary and high

schools, missionary activities, catechetical instruction, social work, music, dramatics, and other parish activities.

QUALIFICATIONS: Requirements for entrance:

- *Age: postulants-15-30; juniorate-under 15.
- *Legitimate birth.
- *Good character and an inclination to dedicate oneself to the education of youth.
- *Good health.
- *The aspirant must be free from economic and moral responsibilities.
- *She must also fill out application forms which should be returned with Baptism, Confirmation, and doctor's certificates, and letters of recommendation from her Pastor and other noteworthy persons.

For further information please write to:

Mother Ninetta Ionata, M.P.F., Provincial, Villa Walsh, Morristown, New Jersey.

MISSIONARY SISTERS OF VERONA

HISTORY: The Missionary Sisters of Verona, who are well known and loved by the sick and poor in Africa, Europe, Asia, and America, were founded in 1867 by Bishop Comboni. Having first founded the Verona Fathers for the purpose of bringing God to the African natives, Bishop Comboni soon realized the urgent need of a community of women to assist in this extremely Today there are difficult work. over 2000 members. They teach school and care for the sick, including lepers, in mission lands. Their services are constantly requested by both Moslems and Protestants in their hospitals and clinics. They have among them brilliant teachers, registered nurses, and skilled artists, who live among the pagans with Christ-like charity which they express by their dynamic zeal and great spirit of cheerful sacrifice.

PURPOSE: The Missionary Sisters of Verona dedicate their lives to

God not only for the conversion of the Negro, but also for the purpose of bringing charity, kindness, relief, and education to any abandoned soul, regardless of race, creed, or color.

QUALIFICATIONS:

* Young ladies between the ages of 17 and 30, who wish to devote their lives to the care of suffering humanity in this unique community, are welcome as members.

* Candidates provide the necessary clothing and a small dowry, if possible.

*A doctor's health certificate is also required.

HABIT: The Sisters wear a black serge habit with a short cape and a red cord around the neck to which is attached a silver crucifix. A large rosary, small white collar, and a simple veil with white starched facing complete the religious garb.

For further information please write to:

Sister Emma, Superior, 2502 Bainbridge St., Richmond, Virginia.



MISSIONARY BENEDICTINE SISTERS

HISTORY: The Missionary Benedictine Sisters were born on the feast of Our Lady of Ransom, September 22, 1885, in Reichenbac. Germany. In its infancy the little community transferred its location to St. Ottilien where it remained until 1904, when the Motherhouse was established at Tutzing, Bavaria. Three years after the birth of the community, sisters were sent to East Africa to assist the Benedictine Missionary priests. After the turn of the century, houses were established in Brazil, the Philippines, Bulgaria, South and South West Africa. In 1925 the sisters carried their work into Korea, later into Angola, and in the fall of 1947 into Japan. The work of the Missionary Benedictine Sisters began in the United States shortly after the first World War.

PURPOSE: The aim of the congregation is not only the sanctification of its members according to the

rule of St. Benedict but also the cooperation in the apostolate for the extension and strengthening of the Kingdom of God. The sisters teach in elementary and high schools, colleges; conduct religious vacation schools, and give catechetical instructions. They also maintain hospitals, dispensaries for the poor, and leprosariums.

QUALIFICATIONS:

* A right intention that is supernaturally motivated.

* Good physical and mental health, with no bodily deformity.

* Good will, cheerfulness, and the spirit of sacrifice.

* At least average intelligence and sound judgment.

* Applicants are accepted after the eighth grade into the aspirant school and into the novitiate after high school.

HABIT: The sisters wear a black habit, belt, and scapular, with a linen wimple, and a black veil. The perpetually professed wear a gold ring.

For further information please write to:

Mother Prioress, Immaculata Convent, 1500 Norfolk Avenue, Norfolk, Nebraska.

MISSIONARY SERVANTS OF CHRIST THE MASTER AND ST. ANTHONY

HISTORY: The Congregation of the Missionary Servants of Christ the Master and St. Anthony, a religious community of women, was founded by the Reverend Peter A. Baque at San Antonio, Texas, in 1929 to work among the poor. Its constitutions are under diocesan approval. Mother M. Theresa, C.S.A., its first Mother General, was co-founder. Motherhouse is located on an extensive tract of land north of the city. From here the Missionary Servants have extended their activities to cover one after another Fr. Baque's projects; a home for girls working in the city without their families, a day nursery, a clinic, elementary schools in the very poor and neglected districts, and an extensive program of missionary work.

PURPOSE: The principal work is among Latin-Americans. It includes home visiting, leading lapsed Catho-

lics back to their Faith, teaching, and catechetical instruction. Trained nurses, catechists, teachers, and social workers in different fields are also included in the active work.

QUALIFICATIONS:

- * Young women between 15 and 30 are accepted without regard to previous training, education or experience. As Sisters they will be trained for their specific labors.
- * They must have reasonably good health, a cheerful and adaptable disposition, and a willingness to work among very poor people.

HABIT: The black woolen habit is extremely simple and practical; it consists of a black veil and cincture, and a round collar. The only touch of white is at the forehead and neckline.

For further information please write to:

Mother Superior, 100 Peter Baque Road, San Antonio 9, Texas.



BENEDICTINE NUNS Contemplative—Cloistered

HISTORY: The Regina Laudis Monastery was founded by Reverend Mother Benedict Duss, an American nun of the Benedictine Abbey of Jouarre, France. Divine Providence led her to Bethlehem, Connecticut, and the Bishop of Hartford graciously accepted the foundation. Thanks to the generosity of newfound friends, buildings were secured for a provisional monastery and a small guest house, where visitors might receive the hospitality stressed in the Rule of St. Benedict. In September 1948 the community, then numbering eight nuns from Jouarre, was formally enclosed. The monastery is independent and has its own novitiate. As soon as the nuns can erect a permanent abbey, they will be eligible to request the permission of the Holy See to take solemn vows and receive pontifical enclosure.

PURPOSE: The life, which is purely contemplative, carries out the Ben-

edictine motto Ora et Labora. Prayer centers upon the liturgy, (Mass and much of the Office being sung daily). Work includes reading or study and manual work, for example, housework, gardening, and farming as well as arts and crafts.

QUALIFICATIONS:

* The applicant must have good mental and physical health, the recommendation of her spiritual director, and preferably a college education.

* She should be able to provide her monastic trousseau and

dowry.

* The age limit for choir novices is thirty; there is none for Oblates.

HABIT: The habit and scapular are black, with a white linen wimple. The choir nuns wear a black cowl, a pleated long-sleeved robe for Mass and the principal parts of the Office.

For further information please write to:

Very Reverend Mother Prioress, Regina Laudis, O.S.B., Bethlehem, Connecticut.

CAPUCHIN SISTERS OF THE INFANT JESUS

HISTORY: The Capuchin Sisters of the Infant Jesus are affiliated with the Order Friars Minor Capuchin in Rome. In 1922 they opened their first day nursery in Holy Rosary Parish in Jersey City, New Jersey, followed by another in 1925 in Our Lady of Pompeii Parish, Paterson, New Jersey. The sisters began their first endeavor in social work in 1926 in Passaic, New Jersey. In 1930 St. Francis Convent and Motherhouse were founded on a hundred and thirty acre plot of land in the beautiful Ramapo Hills of New Jersey. Situated here also is a boarding elementary school, a high school, and a summer camp for girls. Since 1930 the sisters have opened numerous schools and centers of catechetical and social work in the states of New Jersey and New York.

PURPOSE: In fulfilling the primary aim of personal sanctification of the individual members, the sisters devote their energies to the promo-

tion of the spiritual and temporal welfare of mankind by teaching in parish and private elementary and high schools, and by visiting the poor and the sick in their homes.

QUALIFICATIONS: A catholic girl should

- * be between 15 and 30 years of age
- * have preferably a high school education
- * be free from chronic and hereditary diseases
- * possess generosity, zeal, good will, a sense of humor and common sense.

HABIT: The sisters wear a brown habit with a scapular completely covering the front and back. For street wear, a full black mantle open in the front with a white collar is worn over the habit and scapular.

For further information please write to:

The Reverend Mother General, Mt. St. Francis Ringwood, Ringwood Manor P.O., New Jersey.



SOCIETY OF CATHOLIC MISSION SISTERS OF ST. FRANCIS XAVIER

HISTORY: The Society of Catholic Mission Sisters of Saint Francis Xavier was founded in the Archdiocese of Detroit by His Eminence. Edward Cardinal Mooney, a former Apostolic Delegate to both India and Japan. His Eminence saw the need for a religious community of women who would labor in those countries, particularly in the villages among the poor. On December 3, 1946, he presided at the ceremony of the reading of the Decree of Erection formulated and approved by the Sacred Congregation of Religious in Rome. On the same day the novitiate, under the supervision of the Missionary Sisters of St. Columban, was formally opened.

PURPOSE: The purpose of this Society is to cooperate with missionary leaders in the lands evangelized by St. Francis Xavier, India and Japan, by rendering religious, social, educational and medical aid to

women and children, particularly in the villages and country places.

QUALIFICATIONS:

* Young women of right intention between 17 and 30 years of age with normal physical, intellectual and moral qualities, who are desirous of following in Xavier's footsteps and of dedicating their lives to the missionary sisterhood, possess the necessary qualifications for this Mission Society.

HABIT: The habit of the Catholic Mission Sisters of St. Francis Xavier is composed of a cream white under tunic and scapular, a woven cincture, a silver shield of St. Francis Xavier, a rosary, and a soft veil.

For further information please write to:

Reverend Mother Superior, Convent of St. Francis Xavier, 30725 Van Dyke, Warren, Michigan.

SOCIETY OF CHRIST THE KING

HISTORY: The Society of Christ the King was founded in 1931. Its foundress, Mother Teresa, was a cloistered Carmelite nun until she received permission to enter the field of missionary endeavor and to undertake the guidance of a new missionary institute of women. The foundation of the Society took place in the home of two southern ladies who gave their property for the foundation and entered as its first novices. In 1940 the Motherhouse was moved to a site three miles from Danville, Virginia. Here in a beautiful rural setting the Society trains its members in the use of the tools of a modern apostolate of social action.

PURPOSE: The aims of the Society are the cultivation of holiness and the development of the Christian ideal in its members for the exercise of an apostleship in social action inspired and guided by the social encyclicals and messages of the Holy Pontiffs of this century,

which have charted a clear and certain path to follow in winning back Christ's Kingdom on earth.

QUALIFICATIONS:

- * Age -high school age or older.
- * Health—a sound mind in a sound body.
- * Motive—the desire to give oneself wholly to God and to cooperate with Him in the salvation of souls.

HABIT: The members wear a modern dress and hat and in season a coat. A crucifix worn on a neck chain identifies the members as disciples of Christ.

For further information please write to:

Reverend Mother General, 936 Main Street, Danville, Virginia.



DAUGHTERS OF CHARITY OF THE MOST PRECIOUS BLOOD

HISTORY: The religious order of the Daughters of Charity of the Most Precious Blood was founded at Pagani, Italy, in 1872 by Tommaso Maria Fresco, Apostolic Missionary. It was his desire to band together a group of pious and charitable girls who would dedicate their lives unreservedly to rehabilitate, instruct, and educate the poor orphans of Pagani. Father Fresco, with the permission of Rome, began the first convent and orphanage in an apartment near the Church of St. Francis in Pagani. The nucleus of the new community consisted of seven postulants and seven of the most needy orphans. The constitution and spiritual rule were written by Father Fresco for the greater glory of God through the promotion of Christian charity.

PURPOSE: Father Fresco's greatest interest and love were to help the poor and destitute children who were torn away from family love and

happiness. His motto, therefore, was "Let us help the poor and needy." As the congregation grew in numbers, the Daughters of Charity extended their work to schools, hospitals, homes for the aged, boarding schools for girls, and day nurseries.

QUALIFICATIONS:

* Age: girls from 15 to 30 are accepted.

* Education: a high school education is preferred.

* Moral character, good health, average intelligence, spirit of piety and religion, no bodily defects, a good disposition, and willingness to work for God.

HABIT: The Daughters of Charity wear a black habit and veil with a pure white starched square collar and a bright red cincture which contains the symbols of the order, a rosary and a crucifix. The sisters wear a black cape when they appear in public.

For further information please write to:

Reverend Superior, Holy Rosary Convent, 335 Noble Avenue, Bridgeport, Connecticut.

DAUGHTERS OF WISDOM

HISTORY: The Congregation of the Daughters of Wisdom was founded on February 2, 1703 by St. Louis-Marie de Montfort who invested Marie-Louise Trichet as the first Daughter of Wisdom. As the Congregation grew, the habit became a common symbol of the love of Christ as the sisters worked tirelessly among the poor and the sick; later it became a symbol of courage and faith as the sisters mounted the scaffold to their deaths during the evil days of the French Revolution. At the dawn of the century when all religious orders were expelled from the country, Almighty God guided the footsteps of the Daughters of Charity to North and South America where the Congregation has taken root and flourished ever since.

PURPOSE: The sisters engage in all types of the works of charity teaching in boarding and day schools, orphanages, and in institutions for the blind, deaf and the dumb. The sisters also conduct hospitals,



clinics and dispensaries, industrial homes for girls and retreat houses. In the foreign missions the sisters give themselves unstintingly to teaching, caring for the lepers, and preparing young African girls in their Normal School-College in Mlanje, Africa.

QUALIFICATIONS: A candidate should

- * be between the ages of 16 and 30
- * have completed at least grammar school studies
- * possess the right intention, good health, intelligence and good will.

HABIT: The habit of the Daughters of Wisdom is made of course grey serge. A large linen handkerchief covers the shoulders, and a starched white linen headdress is worn in lieu of a veil. A large ebony crucifix is worn on the breast and a rosary hangs at the side conspicuous against the grey of the dress.

For further information please write to:

Reverend Mother Provincial, Daughters of Wisdom, 101-19, 103 Street, Ozone Park 16, New York.



DOMINICAN CONGREGATION OF SAINT CATHERINE DE' RICCI

HISTORY: The Dominican Congregation of Saint Catherine de' Ricci was founded by Lucy Eaton Smith in Glens Falls, New York, in 1880. As a young convert, Lucy Smith realized the empty lives most women of her acquaintance led. She wanted to open up to them and to all women an opportunity for deeper religious development. The Bishop of Albany permitted her to make religious profession and to begin in his diocese a community offering retreats for laywomen. Affiliated to the Dominican Order in 1899, this papal congregation received final approval for its constitutions in 1928. Despite tremendous obstacles, the Congregation took root and today, besides four houses in the Albany diocese, has foundations in the dioceses of Philadelphia, New York, Cincinnati, and Havana and Cienfuegos, Cuba.

PURPOSE: The purpose of the Congregation is the sanctification of the

Sisters and the salvation of souls by providing retreat houses for laywomen, residences for working girls, catechetical schools, homes for retired ladies, private academies, and all kinds of religious instruction that may be given by women.

QUALIFICATIONS:

- * Aspirants should have good health and a sincere desire to serve God.
- * Candidates should be between 15 and 30 and possess average intelligence.
- * Occasionally those over 30 are admitted.
- * Special talents and higher education are particularly useful, but not essential.

HABIT: The Sisters wear the Dominican habit, symbolic of purity and penance—a white woolen tunic, scapular, and a black veil. At their side they wear a fifteen decade rosary.

For further information please write to:

Reverend Mother General, 886 Madison Avenue, Albany, New York; Reverend Mistress of Novices, Convent of Our Lady of Prouille, Ashbourne Road and Juniper Avenue, Elkins Park 17, Pennsylvania.

DOMINICAN SISTERS OF ADRIAN

HISTORY: The salvation of souls through the teaching of truth is the purpose of the Dominican Order. First established in the year 1206 at Prouille, France, the Sisters of Saint Dominic have shared by prayer, penance, and works of charity in the glorious apostolate that the Order has carried on for seven centuries in all parts of the world. Inspired by the missionary spirit of Saint Dominic, the first four Sisters came to New York from Ratisbon, Bavaria, in 1853. A few years later in 1877 they founded a school in Traverse, Michigan, and in 1892 established a provincial house at Adrian. In 1923 the Adrian community became a separate congregation, and now numbers more than 1700 members. It enjoys the approval of the Holy See as a Pontifical Congregation.

PURPOSE: The Sisters conduct schools at all levels from kindergarten to college. In addition they

conduct hospitals, catechetical schools, missions, and social service centers in all parts of the United States and in Latin America. Thousands of souls have received the Word of God through the labors of the Adrian Dominicans.

QUALIFICATIONS: Catholic young women are admitted into the Dominican Novitiate at Adrian who are:

- * between 16 and 30
- * motivated by a sincere desire to serve God and to save souls
- * physically, mentally and spiritually fit for religious life and apostolic work.

HABIT: The Dominican habit consists of a tunic of white wool with a scapular and cape of the same material. The head is covered with a black veil, and a black cloak is worn for travel.

For further information please write to:

Mother Mary Gerald, O.P., Dominican Motherhouse, Adrian, Michigan.



DOMINICAN SISTERS Fall River, Massachusetts

HISTORY: The Congregation of St. Catherine of Siena (Dominican Sisters) of Fall River, Mass, was founded at Fall River September 4. 1891, by Reverend Mother M. Bertrans Sheridan and two companions. who came from Carrollton, Missouri, at the request of the Dominican Fathers of St. Anne's Parish, Fall River, to take charge of the parochial school. Permission to open a novitiate was granted in January, 1892, eight postulants forming the first group admitted. In April, 1894, construction was begun on the present Motherhouse building, which was ready for occupancy the following year. Dominican Academy was opened that year in a section of the new building. The Motherhouse has since been enlarged four times. By 1922 the Community had increased sufficiently to be erected into a Congregation. Additional schools have been confided to the Sisters in the Fall River diocese and that of Ogdensburg, New York.

PURPOSE: The primary purpose of the Congregation is the sanctification of the members through the vows of Poverty, Chastity, and Obedience, the regular life and the various monastic observances customary in Dominican convents. The special work is Christian education of youth in parochial schools, private academies, and through released time programs for pupils of the public schools.

QUALIFICATIONS: Admission to the novitiate is open to any young girl of good moral character who:

- * feels attracted toward the religious life
- * is at least 15 years old
- * has average health
- * is sincerely desirous of serving God in "The Dominican Way."

HABIT: The Sisters of the Congregation wear the Dominican habit: a white habit, scapular and guimpe, a black veil lined with white linen, and a black mantle to be worn for certain ceremonies in choir and when going outside the convent. The habit is girded by a belt, from which hangs a rosary.

For further information please write to:

Reverend Mother Prioress General, St. Catherine of Siena Convent, Park Street, Fall River, Massachusetts.

DOMINICAN SISTERS Kettle Falls, Washington

HISTORY: This community is a branch of the "Poor School Sisters of the Order of St. Dominic," established in Speyer, Germany in 1852. In 1925 Rev. Mother General, Speyer, answered the request of His Excellency, Bishop J. P. Carroll of Helena, Montana, asking for sisters who would take charge of the domestic affairs of Carroll College at Helena. A group of twelve sisters, under the leadership of Mother Bonaventura, O.P., crossed the Atlantic and started the new province. In 1928 the little community took over St. Mary's Hospital in Conrad, Montana and two years later opened St. Joseph's Hospital in Chewelah, Washington. Meanwhile, more sisters arrived from the Motherhouse in Germany to help with the fast increasing responsibilities. In 1931 the first American postulants received the Dominican habit. A temporary novitiate was established near Chewelah, Wash-



ington, to be used until in 1934 "Our Lady of the Valley Convent" near Kettle Falls opened its doors to be the home and Provincial House of the community. Expansion continued steadily. St. Mary's Mission, Omak, Washington, a boarding school for Indian children, was added in 1936. St. Martin's Hospital, Tonasket, Washington, was completed in 1939; Mount Carmel Hospital, Colville, Washington, has offered its services since 1940. Parochial schools followed during the 40's in Oroville, Washington, and in Shelby and Cut Bank, Montana.

PURPOSE: Every year Mother Provincial receives many letters from bishops and pastors, pleading for a small band of sisters to staff Catholic schools and hospitals in various parts of the country. Rev. Mother has to decline even the most urgent requests until many more generous American girls will join this sisterhood and help carry the torch of the Dominican spirit through the Northwest.

QUALIFICATIONS:

- * A vocation to the religious life.
- * Age-16 to 30.
- * Normal health.
- * Good moral character and common sense.

For further information please write to:

Reverend Mother Provincial, Our Lady of the Valley Convent, Kettle Falls, Washington.



DOMINICAN SISTERS Sinsinawa, Wisconsin

HISTORY: The American Congregation of the Most Holy Rosary was founded by the Dominican Missionary Apostolic, The Reverend Samuel Charles Mazzuchelli, in 1847 at Sinsinawa, Wisconsin. On August 15, 1849 four American girls made their first profession thereby laving its cornerstone. Since then it has continued to expand in numbers and to widen the scope of its apostolic activities. It now numbers seventeen hundred professed sisters. It conducts schools on all levels from kindergarten through college. In the field of higher education it conducts Rosary College, River Forest, Illinois, (a Liberal Arts College with a European branch in Fribourg, Switzerland), Edgewood College of the Sacred Heart, Madison, Wisconsin, (a Teachers' College devoted to the promotion of the program for Christian Social Living), and a Graduate School of Fine Arts (Institute of Pius XII) in Florence, Italy. Papal

approval of the Congregation as a Pontifical Institute dates from 1888.

PURPOSE: The aim of the congregation is expressed in the Dominican ideal: "To contemplate and to give to others the fruits of contemplation." Besides teaching and its auxiliary occupations—nursing, business, and domestic—the congregation engages in mission work among the Negroes, catechetical work in rural areas, and playground supervision in public parks.

QUALIFICATIONS:

- * Range in age from late high school years until the early thirties.
- * Two years are spent in the postulancy and Novitiate.
- * Following the Novitiate temporary vows are made for three years after which perpetual vows are pronounced.

HABIT: The habit consists of a white tunic and scapular and a black veil and mantle. The traditional black and white of the Dominican habit symbolizes purity and penance.

For further information please write to:

The Directress of Vocations, Dominican Motherhouse, Sinsinawa, Wisconsin.

DOMINICAN SISTERS OF MARYWOOD Grand Rapids, Michigan

HISTORY: The Dominican Sisters of Marywood, Grand Rapids, Michigan are members of the Third Order of St. Dominic. They trace their origin to the historic convent of Holy Cross in Ratisbon from which in 1853 four Sisters answered a missionary call from the United States and established Holy Cross Convent in Brooklyn, N.Y. Inspired by the words of their founder, St. Dominic, "The seed will fructify if it is sown, it will moulder if hoarded," the Sisters, a few years later, made a second foundation in New York City, from whence in 1871 Mother Mary Aquinata Fiegler, with three companions, was sent to Traverse City to begin the work of the Dominican Sisters in Michigan. Their motherhouse was transferred later to Grand Rapids.

PURPOSE: The Dominican Sister, whose white habit symbolizes the purity of heart and the purity of in-

tention which should characterize her life, is called to give to others the fruits of her contemplation. Her aim is to sanctify her own soul and win other souls for Christ through the external works of teaching, nursing, and social service.

QUALIFICATIONS:

- * Young women are accepted as postulants who are:
 - * between the ages of 16 and 30.
 - * hindered by no impediment.
- * High school girls are accepted into a Juniorate where they complete their secondary education.
- * Those who have finished High school and who show ability for teaching, secretarial work, music, or nursing begin specialized training.
- * Older girls who are not high school graduates are trained for special work.

For further information please write to:

The Reverend Mother General, O.P., 2025 Fulton Street, East Grand Rapids 3, Michigan.



DOMINICAN SISTERS OF MISSION SAN JOSE, CALIFORNIA

HISTORY: The Congregation of the Queen of the Holy Rosary stems from the Convent of the Holy Cross. Brooklyn, New York, originally a branch of the venerable Convent of the Holy Cross at Ratisbon, founded in 1233, twelve years after the death of Saint Dominic. In 1876, at the request of the Most Reverend Archbishop Sadoc Alemany, O.P., three Sisters were sent from Brooklyn to conduct Saint Boniface School, San Francisco. In 1890 this new community was incorporated into the family of Saint Dominic as a separate congregation. Later the motherhouse and novitiate were transferred from San Francisco to the historic grounds of old Mission San Jose. Final Papal approbation of the Constitutions of the Congregation was obtained in 1922.

PURPOSE: The Congregation is devoted to the Christian education of children, with special love for the

poorer class. It conducts elementary and secondary schools and institutions for dependent children. A college for the preparation of its prospective teachers has been established at the motherhouse.

QUALIFICATIONS: Applicants should be:

- * at least 18 years old
- * in good physical and mental health
- * free from obligations that would detain them in the world
- * motivated by the desire to consecrate their lives to the sevice of God.

Those also are accepted who have not the qualifications for teaching.

HABIT: The habit consists of a white woolen tunic and a scapular, a guimp and a black veil. A fifteen-decade rosary, attached to a leather girdle is worn on the side.

For further information please write to:

Mother General, Dominican Convent, Mission San Jose, California.

DOMINICAN SISTERS OF SAINT CATHARINE OF SIENNA St. Catharine, Kentucky

HISTORY: The Sisters of Third Order of Preachers, more commonly known as the Dominican Sisters, were organized toward the middle of the thirteenth century in Europe. Following the rule of St. Dominican, these sisters grew in numbers as they spread throughout the world manifesting zeal in courage and contemplation as they sought to sanctify themselves and extend the kingdom of God. Over one hundred years ago this spirit arose in the United States when the first community of Dominican Sisters was founded in this country. Nine valiant young women began the Dominican way of life in what was to become St. Catharine, Kentucky, the oldest and mother community of many Dominican foundations in the United States.

PURPOSE: The Dominican Sisters of St. Catharine are primarily engaged in teaching in the various

levels of education extending from the university to the grammar school level. The sisters also devote themselves to the spiritual and physical work of caring for the suffering in four hospitals.

QUALIFICATIONS: Young girls interested in following the Dominican way of life as a Sister of St. Catharine of Sienna should:

- * possess good health with no physical defects
- * good character
- * be ready and willing to accept any duty to which they may be assigned.

For further information please write to:

Rev. Mother General, St. Catharine of Sienna Convent, St. Catharine, Kentucky.



DOMINICAN SISTERS OF ST. CATHERINE OF SIENA OF KENOSHA, WISCONSIN

HISTORY: On January 3, 1952, the Congregation of the Dominican Sisters of St. Catherine of Siena of Kenosha, Wisconsin was erected as a distinct and separate Congregation of Pontifical Right. Up to this time, this congregation was the American Vicariate of the Sisters of St. Catherine of Siena of the Third Order of St. Dominic, whose Motherhouse was at Lisbon, Portugal. Lady Teresa Catherine Saldanha of Lisbon founded this congregation. Her first spiritual daughters were trained under the cloistered contemplative nuns of the Dominican Convent of Siena, Drogheda, Ireland. In 1866 this noble lady received the approbation of the Holy See for her newly founded Congregation. When religious communities were suppressed in 1910, the sisters had to leave Portugal. A group came to Ontario, Oregon, in 1911 to open the first American house of the Congregation

and to establish the American novitiate.

PURPOSE: The purpose of the Congregation is twofold: the sanctification of its members and the salvation of souls. In fulfilling these ends, the sisters conduct schools, hospitals, and a home for the aged.

QUALIFICATIONS:

* Age: 15-30.

* A desire to consecrate themselves to God in the religious life.

* High School diploma, however young girls with some high school education may apply.

* A small dowry and an outfit.

HABIT: The Sisters wear a white habit and scapular with a black veil, the livery of St. Dominic. A black and white cross was given to the first sisters as a symbol of the missionary character of their work for which they are being trained.

For further information please write to:

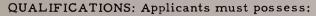
Reverend Mistress of Novices, Saint Catherine's Novitiate, Kenosha, Wisconsin.

DOMINICAN SISTERS OF ST. CATHERINE OF SIENA Racine, Wisconsin

HISTORY: Exactly twelve years after the death of Saint Dominic, in 1233, the Community of Saint Catherine of Siena, Racine, Wisconsin, originated in Holy Cross Convent, Ratisbon, Bavaria. Prioress of this ancient European convent, Mother Benedicta Bauer, responding to the missionary spirit of the early nineteenth century, sent four sisters to America. Later she herself came and founded the present community at Racine in the stormy days of the Civil War. Sufferings and privations marked the early history, but the community prospered under God's all-loving Providence. Today there are over six hundred professed Sisters and about forty-five novices. Racine Dominicans work in nine dioceses of the midwest and in New Mexico.

PURPOSE: The Dominican goal "to contemplate and to give to others the fruit of contemplation" is sought

by each religious of this community. Although particularly devoted to the education of youth, the Sisters undertake other works, such as the care of elderly ladies. Non-teaching members serve as nurses, housekeepers, and seamstresses.



- * soundness of mind and body
- * a cheerful disposition
- * an ardent desire to live in God's service

Age—between 13 and 30. Young girls who have not completed High School enter the aspirancy, a preparatory school. Dispensations are sometimes granted for those over thirty.

HABIT: The Sisters wear a white habit and scapular, and a black veil. These colors symbolize, in part, their spiritual aspirations: white for purity of body and soul; black for penance and mortification.

For further information please write to:

Reverend Mother Superior, Saint Catherine's Convent, 1209 Park Avenue, Racine, Wisconsin.



MARYKNOLL SISTERS

HISTORY: The Maryknoll Sisters were founded in 1912 at Maryknoll, N.Y., by Mother Mary Joseph of Boston, Mass., specifically for foreign mission work. In 1920, they were canonically erected as the Foreign Mission Sisters of St. Dominic. Mission work was begun on the Pacific Coast and spread rapidly to China, Korea, the Philippines, Hawaii, Manchuria and Japan. A cloistered branch of the Maryknoll Sisters was instituted in 1932. During the war years of the 1940's, new missions were opened in Panama, Nicaragua and Bolivia. After the war, work was begun in Africa, Ceylon, Mauritius, Peru, Chile, the Caroline and Marshall Islands and in the south of Korea. More than a thousand Maryknoll Sisters are now either on the mission field or training for work there.

PURPOSE: The Maryknoll Sisters are engaged in all types of Mission Work, both at home and abroad. Hence there are many diversified

occupations available to young adventurers of the Lord. Among the Sisters there are doctors, nurses and medical technicians of all kinds; teachers on all scholastic levels; domestic workers, Social Service workers, office workers; catechists trained to teach religion; writers, editors, photographers, and artists. All are needed to bring home to America the needs of the missions.

QUALIFICATIONS:

Age: 16-30.

Expenses: The Novitiate fee is reasonable. No worthy vo-

cation is refused for lack of means.

Education: High School education is the minimum generally required. Other special training or college work is welcomed.

HABIT: The habit consists of a black veil, a grey tunic and scapular with a waist length cape. The Miraculous Medal hangs by a chain around the neck; the rosary is of Job's tears. In the tropics, a white habit is worn with either a white or black veil.

For further information please write to:

The Reverend Mother General, Maryknoll, New York.

SERVANTS OF RELIEF FOR INCURABLE CANCER

HISTORY: The Sisters, Servants of the Relief for Incurable Cancer. were founded just before the turn of the century by Rose Hawthorne Lathrop, the daughter of the great American writer, Nathaniel Hawthorne, Renouncing a life of luxury, Rose Hawthorne Lathrop began, in a little three room flat on the lower East Side of New York City, a great work of charity by dispensing relief to the poor and to the destitute in their homes. For the maintenance of her work, Mrs. Lathrop resolved to depend absolutely on the Providence of God. She would not, however, accept a penny from her relatives, parents or friends. In 1900, having been joined by Miss Alice Huber, she received the habit of the Third Order of St. Dominic and pronounced her first vows. The sisters now conduct homes for the incurable in New York, Pennsylvania, Massachusetts, Georgia and Minnesota.



PURPOSE: The main object of the sisters is indicated in their title, namely, for the Relief for Incurable Cancer. The sisters devote themselves to the care of the incurable, cancerous poor, the most pitiful of God's children.

QUALIFICATIONS:

- * Age---18 to 35.
- * The will to serve God by nursing His afflicted poor. Nursing experience, although an asset, is not required.
- * Certificates of health, baptism, confirmation, and parents' marriage.

HABIT: The Dominican habit, consisting of a white tunic, scapular and guimpe, a fifteen decade rosary, a black girdle and cloak, and a black veil worn over a white headpiece.

For further information please write to:

Reverend Mother Superior, Rosary Hill Home, Hawthorne, New York; St. Rose's Home, 71 Jackson St., New York, N.Y.; Our Lady of Perpetual Help Home, 760 Washington St., Atlanta, Ga.; Our Lady of Good Counsel Home, 2076 St. Anthony Ave., St. Paul, Minn.; Sacred Heart Home, Hunting Park Ave. and Old York Road, Philadelphia, Pa.; Rose Hawthorne Lathrop Home, 1600 Bay St., Fall River, Mass.



SISTERS OF PENANCE Houston, Texas

HISTORY: The Sisters of Penance of the Third Order of St. Dominic of the Congregation of the Sacred Heart, Houston, Texas, trace their foundation in Texas back to 1882. On the Feast of Saint Michael, a little band of some twenty zealous souls, under the leadership of Mother Mary Agnes Magevney, O.P., arrived in Galveston, having been summoned from Columbus, Ohio, by the late Most Reverend Nicholas Aloysius Gallagher to spread the truths of the Gospel in the wilds of Texas. For more than forty years the Mother House was located in Galveston. But in 1926 the community moved to Houston, where it is now located, on the forty-acre tract facing Almeda Road, the beautiful Sacred Heart Convent and the first unit of Sacred Heart Dominican College.

PURPOSE: The primary end of the congregation, after the sanctification of its own members, is the Christian education of youth. To this end the

Sisters conduct two academies for girls, are engaged in teaching in parochial schools in Texas and California, and conduct a dormitory for girls attending the State University, Austin, Texas.

QUALIFICATIONS: Unmarried Catholic women are accepted into our Community who are:

- * between 16 and 35
- * interested in bringing souls to Christ either directly, by teaching; or indirectly, by assisting in necessary household duties that make for the maintenance of a well-kept home.

HABIT: The habit of the congregation consists of a white tunic and scapular, a white linen cap and cape, a black veil lined with white, and a black mantle. A fifteen-decade rosary, too, is part of the equipment of every Dominican Sister.

For further information please write to:

Mother General, Sacred Heart Convent, 6501 Almeda Road, Houston 4, Texas.

SISTERS OF ST. DOMINIC OF BLAUVELT, NEW YORK

HISTORY: In 1853 the white-clad successors of a group of Dominican Nuns, who were first established in the Convent of the Holy Cross, Ratisbon, Germany, in 1233, founded many branches of the Order in America—among them was the Convent of St. Dominic, Blauvelt, New York. Here a home for poor, neglected orphans was soon erected by Mother Mary Ann Sammon. So rapid was the growth of the Community that soon they extended their educational work in the dioceses of Florida, Rhode Island, and New York, where many elementary schools, four high schools and an academy are operating. In the summer time the "Beautiful Broadlea Camp" for girls is conducted in Goshen, New York.

PURPOSE: The great aim of the Dominican Order is the spreading of the Kingdom of Christ, through the salvation of souls. The special aim of the Sisters of St. Dominic centers



around the poor and afflicted. Blind children are educated in the Lavelle School for the Blind; older girls who have lost their sight, but are able to work, have a working girls' home provided for them at the Catholic Center for the Blind, New York City. The Dominicans operate two hospitals; one for the cancerous poor the "House of Calvary" Hospital, New York, and the other, the St. Joseph's Hospital in Jamaica, British West Indies. Convalescent children are restored to health at the Col. John J. Astor Memorial Home in Rhinebeck, N. Y.

QUALIFICATIONS: The basic requirements to enter Blauvelt are:

- * the desire to consecrate one's life to God's service as a religious
- * good health
- * the wish to attain personal sanctification by the observance of the vows of Poverty, Chastity, and Obedience and the constitutions of the Sisters of St. Dominic of Blauvelt. Normal college training is given the postulant at the Motherhouse. Courses are completed in Nursing, Social Service, Dietetics, as well as Education, elsewhere.

For further information please write to:

Reverend Mother General, St. Dominic's Convent, Blauvelt, New York.



SISTERS OF SAINT DOMINIC Caldwell, N. J.

HISTORY: The Caldwell New Jersey Community of Dominican Sisters of the Sacred Heart of Jesus traces its origin back as far as 1206, when Saint Dominic founded the first community at Prouille, France. After the death of Saint Dominic, Blessed Jordan of Saxony, the second Master General of the Order, founded in 1237 the Convent of the Holy Cross in Ratisbon, Germany. It was in 1853 that the first American community was established in New York. In 1872 a pioneer band was sent to Jersey City, New Jersey from the New York convent. The immediate beginnings of the present community occurred in 1881, when the Sisters from Jersey City purchased the property in Caldwell, where the Motherhouse and Novitiate is now located.

PURPOSE: Through the Dominican motto, "To contemplate and to give to others the fruit of contemplation," the Sisters attain personal sanctifi-

cation in their work which embraces every level of education from pre-primary classes through college. The Sisters are engaged in administrative and auxiliary offices—business and domestic.

QUALIFICATIONS: Students who have completed the 8th grade may develop character and preserve ideals in the religious atmosphere of Mount Saint Dominic. The Juniorate is located at the Motherhouse. The requirements for other candidates are:

* age: 16-30

* upright intention; suitable health; good moral character; good judgment.

HABIT: Dominican Sisters wear a white habit with leather belt and pendent rosary of fifteen decades, a long white scapular and black veil. A black cloak is worn in public.

For further information please write to:

Rev. Mother Superior, Mount Saint Dominic, Caldwell, New Jersey.

SISTERS OF ST. DOMINIC OF THE CONGREGATION OF ST. THOMAS AQUINAS

HISTORY: The Sisters of St. Dominic of the Congregation of St. Thomas Aguinas were established on October 24, 1888, in Pomeroy, Washington Territory, by three Sisters from St. Dominic's Convent, Jersey City, New Jersey. In 1893 the Sisters saw that a place larger than Pomeroy would be necessary for the development of the Community and chose the city of Tacoma. In 1921 a new Motherhouse was built at Marymount, just outside the city of Tacoma. The Novitiate was transferred from this location on August 31, 1948, to Mount Saint Dominic's, the site of Tacoma Catholic College, whose beautiful grounds and buildings place it in an ideal setting.

PURPOSE: The primary work of the Congregation is the Christian education of youth. The Sisters conduct four private schools and sixteen parochial schools. There are thirteen houses in the arch diocese of



Seattle, two in the diocese of Yakima, and four in California dioceses. The Sisters conduct a junior college, high schools, grade schools, kindergartens, and a boys' military academy. During the summer months many religious vacation schools are taught throughout the Seattle diocese. The St. James Cathedral rectory is under the care of the Sisters as well.

QUALIFICATIONS: Any young lady between the ages of 16 and 30, who possesses the following necessary qualifications may apply:

- * good health; common sense; good moral background
- * a high school education or its equivalent is desirable but not absolutely necessary.

HABIT: The holy habit consists of a white tunic and scapular, black veil, and a black leather belt from which is suspended a 15-decade rosary. During certain religious ceremonies a black mantle is worn.

For further information please write to:

Mother General, Route #7, Box 445, Tacoma, Washington.



SISTERS OF THE THIRD ORDER
OF SAINT DOMINIC
CONGREGATION OF THE
HOLY CROSS (1853)
Amityville, New York

HISTORY: The Order of Friars Preachers was founded by St. Dominic de Guzman at the time the Albigensian heresy was rampant in the Catholic Church. From the beginning there were two branches-Sisters and Friars. The Sisters were founded in Prouille, France, in 1206; the Friars in 1216. On September 2, 1853, led by gentle Mother Josepha, four Sisters of St. Dominic came to the city of Brooklyn from the hallowed cloisters of Ratisbon in Bavaria. The Convent of the Holy Cross in Ratisbon was founded in 1237, sixteen years after the death of St. Dominic. The four pioneer Sisters began their work of education in Holy Trinity Parish, Brooklyn. The Sisters of the Third Order of St. Dominic, Amityville, number more than 1200 Sisters laboring in sixty-nine missions in

Brooklyn, New York, San Juan and Ponce, Puerto Rico.

PURPOSE: The principal end of the Congregation is the personal sanctification of the Sisters, which is to be attained through the observance of the three simple vows of religion and the Constitutions of the Congregation. The special end is the education of Catholic youth in schools and colleges, in addition to active works of charity, such as nursing, office work and domestic service, in hospitals, seminaries, a home for the aged, and summer camps. Week-end retreats for laywomen are also conducted at the Motherhouse.

QUALIFICATIONS: The chief requisites demanded of candidates are:

* solid religious principles

* normal intelligence combined with sound common sense

* disinterested motives, good health

* age—18-25 (occasionally an exception is made where a more mature applicant has outstanding character and is fully qualified for some particular type of work).

HABIT: The Professed Religious of the Dominican Order wears a white habit, of which a white scapular is a predominant part; a black mantle, and a black veil lined with white.

For further information please write to:

The Reverend Mother Prioress General, Queen of the Rosary Convent, Amityville, New York.

SISTERS OF THE THIRD ORDER OF ST. DOMINIC, CONGREGATION OF THE MOST HOLY CROSS

HISTORY: The Sisters of the Third Order of St. Dominic, Congregation of the Most Holy Cross, trace their origin to a convent established in 1233 at Ratisbon, Germany, by Blessed Jordan, second Master General of the Order of Preachers. The first American foundation was made in Brooklyn, New York, in 1853. A second, Holy Rosary Convent, 137 East Second Street, New York City, was founded in 1859. At the urgent invitation of Bishop Junger of Nisqually in 1890, seven sisters from this convent established a general hospital and a school in Aberdeen, Washington. A Novitiate was soon opened and a province named for the first American canonized Saint, Rose de Lima, was created. Under the title of Congregation of the Most Holy Cross, this province became, in 1923, an independent religious family, with



an administrative office and Novitiate in Everett, Washington. Papal approbation of the Constitutions was granted in 1934.

PURPOSE: Since their advent to the Pacific coast, the Sisters of this Congregation have staffed twelve schools in Washington, Montana and California, built and operated two general hospitals, and have conducted numerous catechetical schools in the rural districts.

QUALIFICATIONS: Applicants should be:

- * Catholic girls, not hindered by canonical impediments
- * under thirty years of age
- * high school graduates
- * motivated by a desire to serve God in religious life.

HABIT: The religious habit is white, the mantle and veil are black; significant of purity and penance, characteristics of all true Dominican religious.

For further information please write to:

Reverend Mother Superior, St. Dominic Convent, Everett, Washington.



FRANCISCAN SISTERS OF CALAIS

HISTORY: The Franciscan Sisters of Calais originated in Calais. France, in 1854. Under the direction of a saintly and zealous priest. Abbé Duchenne, and a capable and experienced religious, Mother Louise, seven independent convents of the Third Order Regular that were threatened with extinction united to form the new Congregation. The Congregation spread rapidly throughout Europe, Asia, North and South America. Today the Sisters have foundations in the foreign missions: Semali, Mozambique, and Madagascar. The Sisters, who came to the United States in 1911, operate three institutions in Louisiana. The novitiate for the United States is located in Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

PURPOSE: The spirit of the Rule is the spirit of Christian charity with the special Franciscan note of joyous and generous love for God and unselfish love of neighbor expressed in works of mercy: the education of

youth, care of the sick and infirm, the aged, and orphans.

QUALIFICATIONS:

* Catholic girls between 15 and 35 who have a right intention, normal intelligence, good moral character, and sufficient health to support the duties of the religious state of life.

HABIT: The habit, scapular, and veil are of black material. A white cord is worn around the waist to which is suspended the Rosary of the Seven Joys of Mary. In warm countries the Sisters may wear white.

For further information please write to:

Mother Superior, Our Lady of the Lake, Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

FRANCISCAN SISTERS OF SAINT ELIZABETH

HISTORY: The Franciscan Sisters of Saint Elizabeth were founded in 1862 by Father Louis of Casoria, O.F.M., in Italy, to aid him in his works of mercy and charity, principal among which was the caring for African children ransomed from slavery. With the aid of a zealous teacher, Margherite Salatino, Father Louis founded the congregation and placed it under the protection of St. Elizabeth of Hungary. The institute became known as the Grev Friars of Charity and received its final papal approbation on July 16, 1896. In 1919, at the request of Father Barbato, the sisters came to America and took up residence in Newark, New Jersey. Since the days of their early beginnings, the Sisters of St. Elizabeth have increased in numbers and foundations and are represented in the United States in New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, and in Indiana where their novitiate is located.



PURPOSE: Following the mind of their founder, the sisters endeavor to promote works of charity among women and girls by conducting schools, orphanages, day nurseries, homes for the poor, the aged and the physically handicapped, besides imparting catechetical instruction on the various levels. In fine, the sisters undertake the endeavors wherein the love of Christ and Christian charity may call them.

QUALIFICATIONS:

- * Age-17 to 30
- * Good health
- * Sound moral character, emotional stability, maturity, and sufficient intelligence to enable the candidate to be useful in one of the occupations in which the sisters are engaged.

HABIT: The sisters' garb consists of an ash-colored habit and mantle with a black veil over a white linen wimple and head band. The Franciscan Crown of Seven Joys of Our Lady is worn suspended from the white woolen cord of St. Francis.

For further information please write to:

Reverend Mother Antonio Esposito, Sisters of St. Elizabeth Convent, 185 Parkhurst Street, Newark 5, New Jersey; Reverend Mother Superior, St. Francis of Assisi Novitiate, High Street Road, Logansport 5, Indiana.



POOR SISTERS OF JESUS CRUCIFIED AND THE SORROWFUL MOTHER

HISTORY: The Poor Sisters of Jesus Crucified and the Sorrowful Mother is a Lithuanian Congregation. It was founded by Reverend Father Alphonsus Maria, C.P., in 1921. The first Novitiate and Motherhouse was located at Elmhurst, Pennsylvania. In 1945 both were transferred to Brockton, Massachusetts.

PURPOSE: As their primary aim, the Sisters of Jesus Crucified have the personal sanctification of its members through the faithful observance of the three simple vows of Poverty, Chastity, and Obedience. A special devotion to Christ's Passion is a distinguishing practice of each member. The secondary purpose of the congregation is active charity towards the neighbor, exercised in caring for the aged, orphans, and in instructing children in schools. The sisters also conduct retreats for women and girls.

OUALIFICATIONS:

To date the works of the community have been carried on principally among the neglected of Lithuanian descent. The candidates aspiring to obtain admission into this community must therefore:

- * be between 15 and 30
- * have a sincere intention of working for the salvation of these souls
- * have a good character, possess good will and good health
- * possess a spiritual fitness for the religious life and an aptitude to carry on the particular works undertaken by the community.

HABIT: Professed sisters wear a long black woolen habit, a white forehead band barbette, and a black veil. The habit is similar to that worn by the Passionist Fathers. At the waist the habit is bound by a narrow leathern belt which has a black rosary fastened to it. A crucifix is suspended from the neck with a black cord.

For further information please write to:

Mother Superior, Our Lady of Sorrows Convent, 261 Thatcher Street, Brockton, Massachusetts.

SISTERS OBLATES TO DIVINE LOVE

HISTORY: The Congregation, Sisters Oblates to Divine Love, was founded in Monte Regali, Italy, in 1922 by Mother Margherita Diomira Crispi, who was assisted by Archbishop Augusto Intreccialagli, a Carmelite whose cause for beatification has been introduced in Rome. The distinguishing characteristic of the sisters is love, practiced according to the rule of St. Ignatius and dedicated by a spirit of reparation. When the sisters have pronounced their perpetual vows they are called by the title of "Mother". The Oblates are presently laboring in Italy, Central America and are beginning to work in North America.

PURPOSE: The primary active work of the Oblates to Divine Love is that of teaching. Besides teaching the school subjects required by the local boards of education, the sisters give catechetical instruction by precept and example, thereby providing inspiration and encouragement for their students.



QUALIFICATIONS:

- * Age—15 to 25 (Exceptions will be made in special cases).
- * Sufficiently good health.
- * Candidates may enter while still in high school but they must enter with the intention of pursuing their higher studies in the Oblates Community in preparation for their teaching career.

HABIT: The sisters wear a black tunic bound at the waist by a black and red cincture. A white starched collar partially covered by the black band of the outer tunic is fastened at the throat. A long black veil, rosary, and a copper medal which hangs from the cincture on the left side complete the religious habit.

For further information please write to:

Reverend Mother Superior, St. Clare's Convent, 2118 Hone Avenue, Bronx 61, New York.



SISTERS OF JOAN OF ARC

HISTORY: The Congregation of the Sisters of the Joan of Arc Institute was founded by Reverend Mother St. Thomas Aguinas at the request of His excellency, Archbishop Gauthier on October 7, 1919, at Ottawa, Ontario. Rev. Mother St. Thomas Aquinas, a Frenchwoman, was formerly a Dominican nun in Paris. When the Dominican Order to which she belonged suffered expulsion from France during the religious persecution of 1900, the sisters sought refuge first in Italy and after remaining a few years there, came to the United States to teach in the Franco-American parishes at Fall River, Massachusetts, and Lewiston. Maine.

PURPOSE: The aim of the Joan of Arc Institute is the protection of young women who are working away from home, through the establishment of Homes where these young women may obtain room and board, enjoy recreational facilities, and receive friendly counsel and en-

couragement from religious. The sisters also engage in teaching kindergarten, elementary, and commercial course classes.

QUALIFICATIONS: The Joan of Arc Institute accepts young women who:

- * have had high school training or its equivalent
- * possess normal health
- * sincerely desire to serve God in the religious life.

The age limit is 30, but for good reasons, exceptions are sometimes made.

HABIT: The habit consists of a black, pleated serge dress, held at the waist with a black leather belt. A scapular and guimpe of the same material is worn over the dress. The coif is of white linen, covered with a soft, black veil. An ebony and silver cross bearing the monogram IHS is worn on the scapular.

For further information please write to:

Rev. Mother General, Joan of Arc Institute, 489 Sussex Street, Ottawa, Ontario, Canada; Rev. Mother Superior, Joan of Arc Convent, 17 Federal Street, Newburyport, Massachusetts.

SISTERS OF ST. JOAN OF ARC

HISTORY: The Sisters of St. Joan of Arc were founded by Father Marie-Clement Staub in 1914 in Worcester, Massachusetts. While preaching the devotion to the Sacred Heart throughout the United States. Father Staub noticed, during his stay in the various rectories, that American priests had great difficulty in securing competent housekeepers. His solution was to gather a band of consecrated women who were desirous of devoting themselves to this work. After many months of preparation, Father Staub finally established a Motherhouse at Bergerville, just outside of Quebec in Canada. In the United States the Sisters of St. Joan of Arc are represented in the Archdiocese of Boston, the Dioceses of Burlington, Fall River, Hartford, Manchester, Portland, Rochester, and Providence, Rhode Island.

PURPOSE: The Sisters of St. Joan of Arc, like the Blessed Virgin at Nazareth, are proud to become the

handmaids of the Lord by serving God in His priests. They devote themselves to this service by caring for bishop's residences, rectories, apostolic schools, ecclesiastical colleges, and seminaries.

QUALIFICATIONS:

- * A sincere desire to consecrate oneself to the Sacred Heart in a special way by serving His priests.
- * Normal good health.
- * Sufficient education to enable one to follow the ordinary exercises of the religious life.

For further information please write to:

Rev. Mother General, "Jeanne d' Arc," Bergerville, Quebec, P.Q., Canada.



BENEDICTINE SISTERS OF PERPETUAL ADORATION Clyde, Missouri

HISTORY: Founded in 1875 by sisters from the Convent of Maria Rickenbach in Switzerland, the Congregation of Benedictine Sisters of Perpetual Adoration consists of the motherhouse at Clyde, Missouri and four branch-houses. The latter are located at Mundelein. Illinois; Tucson, Arizona; Kansas City, Missouri and San Diego, California. Perpetual Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament has continued uninterruptedly at the motherhouse since 1878; perpetual Exposition, since 1920. The same privileges are enjoyed by each branch-house. The central novitiate is located at Clyde. The postulancy last six months, or more; the novitiate, one year. Vows are renewed annually for five years; then perpetual vows are taken. Besides Poverty, Chastity and Obedience the Benedictine Sisters take

the vows of stability and conversion of morals.

PURPOSE: The life of the Benedictine Sister embraces both the contemplative and active life. The full Monastic Office is said by the choir-sisters in common. The active works include making church vestments and altar breads, engaging in printing, correspondence and clerical work and the usual household employments.

QUALIFICATIONS:

*Candidates should be between 16 and 28 years of age.

*They should have normal health of mind and body and a sincere desire to serve God as a Perpetual Adorer.

*Postulants are expected to supply their own clothing and defray incidental expenses. No dowry is required.

HABIT: The religious garb consists of a black habit and scapular, a white pleated collarium with a starched band covering the forehead, a black veil and an emblem symbolizing the Eucharistic vocation. Perpetually professed sisters wear a ring, and for solemn choir services, a full black garment called a cuculla (according to Benedictine tradition.)

For further information please write to:

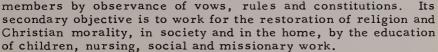
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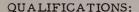
Benedictine Convent of Perpetual Adoration
Clyde, Missouri.

SISTERS OF BETHANY Los Angeles, California

HISTORY: The Congregation of Sisters of Bethany was founded on January 20, 1928 in El Salvador, Central America by Mother Dolores de Maria and co-foundress Mother Maria de la Cruz. The Canonical approval of the Sacred Congregation of Religious was given in Rome on November 30, 1937. Protected by Our Lady of Sorrows whom they try to console as Martha and Mary did in Bethany, the sisters aim to intensify the religious life of their community so that it may be a real Bethany in spirit and in truth. first foundation in the United States was established through the graciousness of His Eminence, James Cardinal McIntyre, Archbishop of Los Angeles, on May 19, 1949.

PURPOSE: The primary end of the Institute is the greater glory of God and the sanctification of its





*Age: 15 to 30 years.

*Good will, health, pliability of character in order to live the common life and a spirit of sacrifice.

* A high school education is desirable.

*Certificates of Baptism, Confirmation and of health.

HABIT: The habitis navy blue in color. A rosary of Seven Dolors is worn at the cord. The sisters wear a starched white guimpe; a navy blue veil and a crucifix suspended from the neck by a blue cord.

For further information please write to:

Sister Superior, C.V.D., Bethany Convent, 552 North Normandie Avenue, Los Angeles 4, California.



CARMELITE NUNS OF THE ANCIENT OBSERVANCE Cloistered Allentown, Pennsylvania

HISTORY: The Carmelite Nuns of the Ancient Observance, commonly called the Calced Carmelites. were formally established October 14, 1453 at Guelder, Holland, by the saintly General of the Carmelite Order, Blessed John Soreth. Before St. Teresa of Avila commenced her Reform of the Carmelites in Spain, a branch of this original monastery was founded in Naples, Italy in 1536. It was from this Carmelite Monastery of Naples in Italy that Carmel of the Old Observance extended to American soil its first foundation, May 22, 1931. The Very Rev. Elias P. Magennis, O. Carm., undertook the enterprise of sending the Carmelite Nuns of the Ancient Observance to the New World. His choice for the responsibility of this undertaking fell

upon the little but magnanimous Mother Therese of Jesus and her intrepid companion, Sister Clement Mary of the Guardian Angel.

PURPOSE: The Carmelite Nuns of the Ancient Observance take solemn vows of Obedience, Chastity and Poverty and observe strict Papal enclosure. The choir religious chant the Divine Office in common and observe Perpetual Adoration of Our Lord in the Most Holy Sacrament. The Nuns pray especially for priests and religious and for all who are engaged in the task of saving souls. While a greater part of the day and night is spent in prayer a certain portion of the day is devoted to manual labor.

QUALIFICATIONS:

* Age: 15-30.

*The desire to serve God in a strictly cloistered Order of Nuns.

HABIT: The habit of the Carmelite Nuns of the Ancient Observance consists of a brown tunic and scapular, white mantle and black veil.

For further information please write to:

Carmelite Nuns, Carmel of the Little Flower, Allentown, Pennsylvania,

or -

Carmelite Nuns, Fargo, North Dakota.

SISTERS OF ST. DOMINIC OF THE IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY Akron, Ohio

HISTORY: The Sisters of St. Dominic of the Immaculate Heart of Mary came from Caldwell, New Jersey, in 1887 to found a mission at Ravenna, Ohio. They trace their descent to the original convent at Prouille, France, founded by St. Dominic in 1206. In 1923, through the instigation of Archbishop Schrembs, the present motherhouse at Our Lady of the Elms in Akron was purchased. It became a separate diocesan motherhouse with a canonically established novitiate in 1929. The title of Sisters of St. Dominic of the Immaculate Heart of Mary was officially given to the new congregation. The sisters use the initials O.P. These letters represent Order of Preachers, the title conferred on Dominicans by Pope Honorius III in recog-



nition of their vital role in the defeat of the Albigensian heresy.

PURPOSE: The salvation of souls through the teaching of Christian principle in pre-school, elementary and secondary schools is the special object of the community. Music, art, catechetical work, office work, cooking, serving and making of altar breads are other fruitful outlets for contemplation.

QUALIFICATIONS:

- *Age: 16-30.
- *Physical, mental and moral fitness.
- * The proper intention and a desire to serve God.

HABIT: The Dominican Sisters wear a white habit, collar and scapular; a black veil and a black leather belt with a fifteen-decade rosary. On special occasions a black cloak is worn over the habit. After perpetual profession they wear a plain gold ring on the right hand.

For further information please write to:

Our Lady of the Elms
1230 West Market Street
Akron 13, Ohio.



DOMINICAN SISTERS Columbus, Ohio

HISTORY: In 1830 Bishop Edward Dominic Fenwick, O.P., first Bishop of Cincinnati, called four sisters from St. Catherine's, Kentucky, the oldest American Dominican foundation, to make a second foundation in Somerset, Ohio. This new establishment, called St. Mary's, was transferred in 1868 to Columbus, Ohio. Because of an abundance of clear water springs on the property, the place was henceforth known as St. Mary of the Springs. Affiliated with the great Order of St. Dominic, St. Mary's enjoys the privilege of being a Pontifical Institute which renders it subject to the Holy See and gives it a Cardinal Protector in Rome.

PURPOSE: The congregation is primarily engaged in education from the kindergarten to the university level. It staffs two col-

leges, three academies, forty parochial schools, a hospital and missions at home and abroad. These fields of activity are located in the Archdioceses of Cincinnati, Detroit, Hartford, New York, Santa Fe and in the Dioceses of Amarillo, Brooklyn, Columbus, Harrisburg, Pittsburgh and Steubenville, The missions in Fukien, China, where the sisters have labored for many years, are temporarily closed.

QUALIFICATIONS:

- *Candidates should be between the ages of 18 and 30. Occasionally those over 30 may be accepted in special circumstances.
- *They should possess good moral character, physical and mental fitness and have the intention of working under the direction of superiors.

HABIT: The sisters wear the traditional Dominican garb; white habit, black veil and a fifteen-decade rosary suspended from a black leather belt.

For further information please write to:

Rev. Mother General, O. P. St. Mary of the Springs Columbus 19, Ohio.

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CONVENT Great Bend, Kansas

HISTORY: The Congregation of the Immaculate Conception is a member of the Sisters of the Third Order of St. Dominic. It established its own independent Motherhouse at Great Bend, Kansas, in 1902. This congregation was formally a daughter foundation of the Dominican Sisters of the Congregation of the Holy Cross who settled in the Diocese of Brooklyn in 1853. Upon the invitation of the Bishop of Wichita, seven sisters left this convent and established the foundation in Kansas. Since the congregation of the Holy Cross is a descendant of the Second Order of nuns of Ratisbon, Germany, founded in 1233, the Dominican Sisters of the Immaculate Conception claim direct descent from the early Dominicans.



PURPOSE: The main aim of the

Dominican Sisters of Great Bend, Kansas, is the sanctification of their own souls and the salvation of other souls through the active apostolate of teaching and nursing combined with the contemplative ideals of St. Dominic. They teach in elementary and high schools in three dioceses and also operate four hospitals. At the mother house a preparatory school is conducted for prospective candidates and also a college for the sisters. Foreign mission work in Africa has also been added to the apostolate.

QUALIFICATIONS:

- *Girls of good character, between 15 and 30 years of age are accepted.
- *They must have the intention of serving God in obedience and love.
- *Good health and normal intelligence are also required for the apostolic activities of the Dominicans of Great Bend.

HABIT: The habit is a cream-white tunic girded with a black leather belt to which is attached a fifteen-decade rosary. Our Lady's scapular and a white cloth cape complete it. The black veil is lined with a soft white material. The white signifies purity of soul while the black is symbolic of penance.

For further information please write to:

Reverend Mother General, O.P., Immaculate Conception Convent, Great Bend, Kansas.



DOMINICAN SISTERS OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION Justice, Illinois

HISTORY: The Dominican Sisters of the Immaculate Conception trace their origin to the Dominican Sisters at Nancy, France. Rose Bialecka, a native of Poland, entered this community and made her first profession as Sister M. Columba at the novitiate at Lorraine, France. Acting on the advice of Father Jandel, Master General of the Dominican Order, Mother Mary Columba returned to her native Poland and laid the foundation of the Third Order of Dominican Sisters there. They were invited to establish a foundation in the Archdiocese of Chicago, by His Excellency, the late George Cardinal Mundelein. Their apostolate has since spread to the Archdioceses of St. Paul and Milwaukee.

PURPOSE: The life of a Dominican Sister comprises both the active and contemplative spheres of the religious life. Personal sanctification of its members is its chief concern. In the active life teaching and nursing in convalescent homes are their most important activities.

QUALIFICATIONS:

*Age: 16-30.

*A sincere desire to serve God as a Dominican Sister.

*Depending upon the date of entrance, the period of postulancy lasts from six months to a year. The novitiate terminates at the end of one canonical year. At this time the novice takes the simple vows of Poverty, Chastity and Obedience for three years.

HABIT: The Dominican Sisters of Justice, Illinois, wear the traditionally white habit of the Dominican Order. A black veil and cloak are worn while traveling.

For further information please write to:

Dominican Sisters Convent
7901 Archer Avenue
Justice, P.O. Oaklawn, Illinois.

THE ST. CECILIA CONGREGA-TION OF DOMINICAN SISTERS OF

Nashville, Tennessee

HISTORY: In the spring of 1860, shortly before the outbreak of the Civil War, the Most Reverend James Whelan, O.P., Bishop of Nashville, applied to St. Mary's Convent, Somerset, Ohio, for a number of sisters to conduct a school for girls in the city of Nashville. Four sisters were assigned to this new responsibility and in October 1860, the pioneers in the southland opened St. Cecilia Academy. Soon after the arrival of the sisters, the Civil War broke out, and battles raged within the immediate vicinity. In spite of financial losses and other hardships. the sisters carried on their work of teaching. At present, the Sisters of the St. Cecilia Congregation conduct eighteen schools in the Nashville Diocese; two in the Dio-



cese of Richmond and one each in the Archdioceses of Chicago and Cincinnati. The congregation is of Pontifical status, its constitutions were approved by Pope Pius XII June 14, 1948.

PURPOSE: The principal end of the congregation is the sanctification of its members through the observance of the three simple vows of Poverty, Chastity and Obedience, the Rule of St. Augustine and the approved Constitutions. The special end is the Christian education of youth in institutions of learning and any other educational or charitable work undertaken by the congregation with the permission of its superiors.

QUALIFICATIONS:

* Applicants over 30 years of age require the consent of the General Council for admission. Before being admitted to temporary profession novices must have completed their 16th year.

*Candidates for admission to the novitiate are required to present certificates of Baptism and Confirmation, a letter of recommendation from their pastor or some other priest

and a health certificate.

HABIT: The Sisters of the St. Cecilia Congregation wear the white and black habit of the Order of St. Dominic. The novices wear a white veil, the professed sisters a black veil.

For further information please write to:

Rev. Mother Superior, O. P., St. Cecilia Convent, Nashville 8, Tennessee.



SISTERS OF THE THIRD ORDER OF ST. DOMINIC Newburgh, New York

HISTORY: The Dominican Sisters of the Congregation of the Holy Rosary, Newburgh, New York, trace their origin back to the first Dominican convent for women founded by St. Dominic in 1206. From this convent at Prouille, in southern France, a seed was brought to Bavaria and Blessed Jordan of Saxony, the successor of St. Dominic, established the Convent of the Holy Cross at Ratisbon. This convent survived all the vicissitudes of European history and in 1853 sent forth its first shoot to the shores of America where the first convent was established in Brooklyn. One of the original members of this first group, Reverend Mother Augustine, opened an academy and convent on Second Street, Manhattan, in the parish of St. Nicholas. This first branch house shortly

thereafter became the nucleus of an independent congregation. At the close of the century it was moved to Newburgh-on-the-Hudson.

PURPOSE: The sanctification of souls of the individual members is the main objective of the Newburgh Dominican Sisters. The secondary purpose, however, is the Christian education of youth. To that goal all the efforts of the community are bent; to it, all individual members contribute their all. Institutions from the day nursery to the community college provide the media for the expression of the sisters' various talents and training.

QUALIFICATIONS:

*Age: 18-30 (Exceptions are sometimes made for qualified

aspirants.)

*High School education is required for those who desire to teach. There are unlimited opportunities to serve God for those who have not the educational or other requirements demanded of a teacher.

*Good health, good will and a firm desire to serve God in the

religious life.

HABIT: The Dominican habit is white throughout except for the professed sisters who wear a black veil faced with white. When out of the convent the sisters wear a black mantle or cape. The simplicity and dignity of the habit is enhanced by the long full-length white scapular which is worn over the tunic.

For further information please write to:

Reverend Mother General, O.P.,

Mount Saint Mary on the Hudson, Newburgh, New York.

DOMINICAN SISTERS, CONGREGATION OF ST. MARY New Orleans, Louisiana

HISTORY: In 1860, the Rector of St. John the Baptist Church, New Orleans, Louisiana, the Reverend J. Monihan, was sent to Ireland by His Archbishop to procure a community of nuns of a teaching order to carry on the work of Catholic Providence directed education. him to St. Mary's Convent of Dominican Nuns of the Second Order. In response to this appeal, Mother Mary John Flanagan and seven companions arrived in New Orleans on November 5, 1860. In less than a month the little community was instructing over 200 pupils at St. John the Baptist School. Harassed by hardships of war and repeated attacks of yellow fever, St. Mary's Congregation grew slowly, adding other schools. In 1910 they received a charter to open the first Catholic college for women in Lou-



isiana. The congregation now owns and operates a college, a high school and a juniorate; it staffs parochial schools and religious vocation shools.

PURPOSE: The main concern of the Dominican Sisters of New Orleans is the personal sanctification of their members by the observance of the three simple Vows of Religion and the Constitutions. The special end of this community consists in the education of Catholic youth.

QUALIFICATIONS:

*Ordinarily the age for admission is between 16 and 30.

*Candidates must possess good health and have the ability to

teach or the willingness to do domestic work.

*A nominal fee is charged to defray the expenses of the postulancy and the novitiate. However, a worthy vocation is never refused because of lack of means. Girls too young to enter the novitiate and who have not finished high school may enter the Juniorate.

HABIT: The habit of the Order of St. Dominic is black and white symbolizing innocence and penance.

For further information please write to:

Reverend Mother General, O.P., Dominican Convent of St. Mary, 7214 St. Charles Avenue, New Orleans 18, Louisiana.



HANDMAIDS OF THE SACRED HEART OF JESUS Wyncote, Pennsylvania

HISTORY: The Congregation of the Handmaids of the Sacred Heart of Jesus was founded in Madrid in 1877 by two sisters, Dolores and Raphaela Mary Porras. The latter became its first Superior General in 1887 and in the same year the definitive approbation of the Institute was granted by the Holy See. Rules are those of St. Ignatius Loyola adapted for women and the virile Ignation spirituality has always been practiced and handed down from the beginning. The congregation spread rapidly in Spain and branched out to other European countries, then to South and Central America and to the United States. Missions in Japan came later. At present the congregation has fifty-seven houses in fourteen different countries. Raphaela Mary Porras was pronounced Blessed by Pope Pius XII in 1952,

just twenty-seven years after her death.

PURPOSE: The work of the congregation is contemplative as well as active. Characteristic of the first is the adoration of reparation to the Sacred Heart of Jesus, before the Blessed Sacrament exposed daily. They are actively engaged in teaching in their own elementary and high schools. Retreat work and foreign missions are also an integral part of their apostolate.

QUALIFICATIONS:

- * Aspirants must be between 16 and 30 years of age have good health and a normal education.
- * They must have the intention of consecrating themselves to God in the twofold life of prayer and adoration interspersed with the active work of the apostolate.

HABIT: The religious wear a simple black serge habit and a white linen guimpe over which is pinned a brass heart, emblem of their particular devotion. A large rosary hangs from the girdle.

For further information please write to:

Rev. Mother Vice-Provincial, 700 E. Church Lane, Philadelphia 44, Pennsylvania... or

Mistress of Novices, 2025 Church Road, Wyncote, Pennsylvania.

HOME VISITORS OF MARY Detroit, Michigan

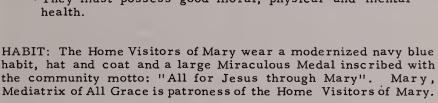
HISTORY: The Home Visitors of Mary were established November 21, 1949, with the approbation of His Eminence, Edward Cardinal Mooney, Archbishop of Detroit.

PURPOSE: The glory of God and the personal sanctification of its members is the primary concern of this community. Its special work is home visiting and the recruiting of lapsed Catholics and prospective converts, principally among Negroes; the religious instruction of children in public schools and of adult converts; recreation programs and classes in home making and home nursing.

QUALIFICATIONS:

* Applicants should be between 16 and 30 years of age.

*They must possess good moral, physical and mental health.



For further information please write to:

Reverend Mother Superior 356 Arden Park Detroit 2, Michigan.



LITTLE MISSIONARY SISTERS OF CHARITY East Boston, Massachusetts

HISTORY: The Little Missionary Sisters of Charity, a branch of the religious family, "Little Workers of Divine Providence," was founded at Tortona, Piedmont, Italy by the Servant of God, Father Louis Orione. On the Feast of Sts. Peter and Paul 1915, the Little Mission ary Sisters, with a modest group of five aspirants, consecrated themselves to God in the service of the poor. In a short time, blessed by God, they developed as the evangelical mustard seed and established more than 300 foundations in many parts of the world. Whereever they offer their assistance, they are real mothers and sisters to the poor, the sick, the aged and the little ones. They personally attend their charges in whom they see and serve Jesus Christ. They have opened a novitiate in East Bos-

ton, Massachusetts, close to the monumental statue of "The Madon-na".

PURPOSE: Personal sanctification is their primary aim. The special objective of the congregation is the immediate cooperation in the spiritual and corporal works of mercy, especially for the poorest and the most needy. They also do domestic work, nursing and operate grammar schools and kindergartens. Their principal characteristic is simplicity and poverty in their bearing, manners and dress; confiding always and completely in Divine Providence. Only volunteers are sent to their many mission posts. OUALIFICATIONS:

*Age: 15-30 (exceptions are made).

*Applicants must possess good physical and mental health and have a spirit of generosity and desire for self sanctification.

*No dowry is required, but any aid to defray postulate and novitiate expenses is welcome. Lack of money is no obstacle. Training: postulancy, one year; novitiate, two years. First profession, after the novitiate; perpetual vows made ten years after

temporary profession. HABIT: The habit, designed for simplicity and practicality, is black serge. A neat black veil is worn over a white linencoif and

band. The professed sister wears a large missionary crucifix and a black rosary.

For further information please write to:

Rev. Mother Superior, Little Missionary Sisters of Charity, 120 Orient Avenue, East Boston 28, Massachusetts.

MEDICAL MISSIONARIES OF MARY Winchester, Massachusetts

HISTORY: The Medical Missionaries of Mary were established in 1937 in response to the appeal of Our Holy Father, Pope Pius XI of happy memory, for an Apostolate designed to meet the changing needs of the missions -- Missionary Sisters trained as doctors and nurses. The congregation was founded by Mother Mary Martin of Dublin, Ireland. The Motherhouse and Novitiate is located in Ireland at Our Lady of Lourdes, Drogheda, Co. Louth. The American Novitiate was opened in 1951 at Winchester, Massachusetts. The sisters also administer Clinica Mediterranea. Via Orazio, Naples, Italy. Medical Missionaries of Mary have founded twelve mission stations in Africa in Southern Nigeria, Tanganyika and Angola. Three-thousand lepers are being cared for in



one area in Nigeria. Medical work is undertaken in all its branches with special reference to the care of mothers and their children and everything that helps to provide good medical service, such as Marriage Training Centers, Domestic Science Schools and Social Services.

PURPOSE: In the mystery of the Visitation the Medical Missionary sees the inspiration, the ideal and the spirit of her work. As Our Lady went forth to help her cousin St. Elizabeth in her hour of need, so the Medical Missionary humbly tries to follow her, not across the hills of Judea, but into the dark untrodden places of the world; not only to bring skilled medical aid but also to carry the message of Christ to those who do not know Him.

QUALIFICATIONS:

* Age: 17-35.

*After their first profession, the sisters renew their vows annually for five years. Final profession is made at the end of the sixth year. These years may be spent in labors on the missions or during this time sisters who have entered without professional training will be given the opportunity to train according to their aptitudes, as Doctors, Nurses, Pharmacists, Laboratory Technicians or in the allied branches of Secretarial, Home Economics or Social Service Work.

For further information please write to:

Directress of Vocations, Medical Missionaries of Mary, 1 Arlington Street, Winchester, Massachusetts.



MEXICAN JOSEPHITE SISTERS San Antonio, Texas

HISTORY: In the year 1872, through the work of Senorita Cesarea Esparza y Davalos, the Mexican Josephite Sisters were established in the Archdiocese of Mexico and placed under the protection of Father Jose Maria Velaseca. humble community which can be compared to the "Mustard Seed" of the Gospel has grown rather rapidly. At present they number over one thousand sisters working in almost every state of the Mexican Republic and also in Nicaragua and the United States. The sisters observe the common life under the direction of a Superior General who is elected every six years. After novitiate training the sisters pronounce their temporary vows for five years, then perpetual profession is made. Pope Leo XIII approved the Congregation May 27, 1903.

PUR POSE: The Mexican Josephite Sisters have as their primary objective the greater glory of God and their own sanctification through the observance of the vows of Poverty, Chastity and Obedience. Their work consists in the education of girls and the care of the sick in hospitals and the missions.

QUALIFICATIONS:

* Age: 15-30.

*Candidates must come from a good family and present parents' marriage certificate.

*They are required to defray the expenses incurred during the periods of postulancy and the novitiate. A small dowry is requested.

HABIT: The Mexican Josephite Sisters wear a black habit, scapular, white collar and cuffs and a black and green cord. A medal is suspended from the collar.

For further information please write to:

Rev. Mother Superior 263 Felisa Street San Antonio 10, Texas.

CONGREGATION OF THE MISSIONARIES OF GUADALUPE OF CHRIST THE KING Atchison, Kansas

HISTORY: The Missionaries of Guadalupe of Christ the King were founded in Guadalupe, Mexico, May 22, 1930 by the Rev. Jose Castillon Velasco and Mother Josephine Marie Valencia. This community was granted full approbation by His Excellency, The Most Rev. Piuzy Flores, the Apostolic Delegate to On August 5, 1938 the Mexico. congregation received Diocesan approval as a "Pius Union" from the Archbishop Primate of Mexico, His Excellency, The Most Rev. Don Luis Maria Martinez. The Archbishop placed Rev. Don Carlos Ascarate, O.S.B., a Benedictine Monk at the head of this new community. From that moment, it adopted the Benedictine Rule as the norm of its religious spirit and formation. This Diocesan Community was approved



by the Sacred Congregation of Religious November 9, 1948. With this approval came the hope that in a few years the "Decretum Laudis" would definitely be received, for already the Divine Mercy of God has blessed this budding missionary congregation.

PUR POSE: The missionary work of the congregation is the fulfillment of the Benedictine motto "prayer and work". It is dedicated to the life of prayer and teaching. The members recite the Divine Office in choir according to the Benedictine Rule. They also teach in grammar, boarding schools and colleges; and are engaged in catechetical work in addition to their foreign missionary activities.

QUALIFICATIONS:

*Aspirants are received from 15 to 25 years of age and at times up to 30.

* They must possess good health, sound judgment and a great spirit of faith.

* Both the choir and lay sisters must have completed grammar school.

HABIT: The religious garb consists of a black tunic, scapular and veil. The novices wear a white veil until their profession. This habit is similar to one worn by the Benedictines. A long cape is worn when the sisters leave the monastery.

For further information please write to:

Rev. Mother Superior, O.S.B., St. Benedict's Abbey, Maur Hill, Atchison, Kansas.



MISSIONARY SISTERS OF OUR LADY OF THE ANGELS Naugatuck, Connecticut

HISTORY: The Missionary Sisters of Our Lady of the Angels were founded at Lennoxville, P.Q. Canada in 1922, with the approval of the Most Reverend Paul LaRocque, Bishop of Sherbrooke, by Reverend Mother Mary of the Sacred Heart. This is essentially a missionary congregation. Mother Mary of the Sacred Heart was in Canton, China, when she conceived the desire to work for the establishment of a society which would be especially dedicated to the training of native sisters and catechists. Between the years 1922 and 1946, one hundred and two of the one-hundred and fifty professed sisters labor ed exclusively in China, in twelve mission posts established in six dioceses: Kweiyang, Anlung, Nanning, Canton, Macau, and Hongkong. Communist penetration compelled

the sisters to abandon all their posts, with the exception of those of Macau and Hongkong. Consequently, other fields were opened and the sisters are now laboring in China, Japan, Oceana, Peru, and Africa.

PURPOSE: To fulfill the aim of the society and help in the training of native sisters in their missions, they accept almost every type of missionary work. Their present activities are: schools, dispensaries, hospitals, orphanages and social work. Native novitiates are located in Macau, China and Shizuoka, Japan. QUALIFICATIONS:

- *Aspirants are accepted between the ages of 18 and 30.
- *Good health, sound judgment, a social and docile character are the principle qualities required for admission.
- *An elementary education and an honestfamily reputation are necessary.

HABIT: The Missionary Sisters of Our Lady of the Angels wear a white dress of crepe cotton, a black scapular, a white cord (the signs of the Third Franciscan Order to which they belong) and a white silk veil attached in front by a silver cross. A white rosary is also worn. On the street and in the winter, they add a black mantle.

For further information please write to:

Rev. Mother General, O. S. F.

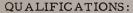
St. Mary's Convent - 320 North Main Street
Union City, Naugatuck, Conn.

MISSIONARY SISTERS OF ST. NORBERT Claymont, Delaware

HISTORY: The Missionary Sisters of St. Norbert were founded by a French Norbertine missionary father in Madagascar to assist the priests in their mission work. The first sister, a native of Madagascar, taught catechism while at the same time engaged in nursing and performing the necessary domestic duties for the missionary The motherhouse is in fathers. St. Victoret, near Marseille, France. The first group of Norbertine Missionary Sisters arrived in the United States in 1952. Postulants were received in 1954 and their first American novitiate was opened July 11, 1954 at Ricvere Convent, Claymont, Delaware.

PUR POSE: The primary objective of the Missionary Sisters of St. Norbert is to promote the glory of

God by their simple religious life. This includes the daily recitation of the office of the Blessed Virgin in choir, and the propagation of the faith by the teaching of catechism, nursing, social work and domestic activities.



*Age: 17 -35

*Simplicity, zeal and a spirit of sacrifice are the essential requirements.

HABIT: The choir habit as shown in the photograph is entirely white. A black cloak and veil are worn while traveling. In the missions a simple white nurse's uniform is worn with a white veil, while blue is used for performing household duties.

For further information please write to:

Rev. Mother Superior Ricvere Convent 40 Manor Avenue Claymont, Delaware.



POOR SISTERS OF NAZARETH Van Nuys, California

HISTORY: The Congregation of the Poor Sisters of Nazareth was founded in London, England, by Mother St. Basil (Victoire Larmenier) at the request of Cardinal Wiseman. It was established for the care of the aged poor of both sexes and to provide a home for orphan and abandoned children and those from broken homes. Of historical and religious significance is the fact that Cardinal Wiseman had the unique honor of being the first Catholic bishop of London since the days of the Protestant Reformation. The aftermath of three-hundred years of bigotry and persecution was still rampant in London at this period, and the Cardinal's primary motive was to provide a home for the destitute poor, both young and old. Mother St. Basil, French by birth, nobly responded to his wishes and after surmounting many dif-

ficulties in its early years, the new institution was formally erected as an approved Religious Congregation by the Holy See in 1864. They have sixty-four foundations located in England, Ireland, Wales, Scotland, South Africa, Australia, New Zealand and the United States.

PURPOSE: Personal sanctification through the three simple vows of Obedience, Poverty and Chastity is its primary aim. The Poor Sisters of Nazareth conduct homes for aged men and women, care for and educate orphaned children and those who are the victims of broken homes and provide homes for foundlings and unwanted infants.

QUALIFICATIONS:

- *Entrance age for the juniorate 13 to 16; novitiate 16 to 30.
- *Applicants must be free from hereditary or contagious maladies and must not have contracted debts or obligations to other religious communities.

HABIT: The professed sisters wear a black habit and scapular, white linen cap and wimple and a black leather belt fastened at the waist by a buckle. A crucifix, which is attached to a blue worsted cord around the neck fits into the belt at the left side of the waist. On all principal feasts a blue marino mantle is worn.

For further information please write to:

Rev. Mother Superior, Nazareth House, Magnolia and Sepulveda Boulevards, Van Nuys, California.

SISTERS OF MARY MOTHER OF GOD Culver City, California

HISTORY: The Sisters of Mary Mother of God were founded in 1950 by His Eminence, Francis Cardinal McIntyre, Archbishop of Los Angeles, to help meet the pressing educational and spiritual needs of rapidly growing Southern California. In 1952 the community received from the Sacred Congregation for Religious the confirmation of its establishment; thus ratified, it is fully qual ified to accept candidates for the enlargement of the community and the development of its scope. The sisters began their apostolic work teaching in Long Beach. Responding to the request of His Eminence Cardinal McIntyre, the sisters presently operate a convalescent home for elderly women in Culver City, where in August 1954, they transferred their mother house and novitiate.



PURPOSE: The primary concern of the community is the sanctification of its individual members through the observance of the three simple vows of Poverty, Chastity and Obedience. Its scope includes education and the care of the sick in hospital and convalescent homes.

QUALIFICATIONS:

*Age: 16 to 30 years (For special reasons, suitable candidates beyond this age may be accepted.)

* A right intention, deep love of God and a spirit of sacrifice.

*The usual customary canonical certificates.

HABIT: The sisters wear a black habit, scapular and soft veil, white headband coif and guimpe. A rosary hangs from a black cincture on the left side. A cincture piped in blue and bearing the blue emblem, A. M. (Ave Maria) is suspended on the right side.

For further information please write to: Sisters of Mary Mother of God, Marycrest Manor, 10664 10664 Cranks Road, Culver City, California.



SISTERS OF ST. RITA Racine, Wisconsin

HISTORY: The Sisters of St. Rita are members of the Third Order of St. Augustine. They were founded by the Augustinian Fathers in Wuerzburg, Germany, in the year 1911. In spite of various setbacks. inflation after the First World War and destruction of their motherhouse during the Second World War, the congregation at present numbers approximately three hundred members. Their motherhouse is at Wuerzburg, Germany. The Sisters of St. Rita have two establishments in North America; one in Ontario, Canada, and the other in Racine, Wisconsin.

PURPOSE: The primary concern of the Sisters of St. Rita is the glorification of God and the sanctification of their members through the perfect community life, according to the Rule of St. Augus-

tine and the faithful observance of the religious vows. They are engaged in social and family welfare work. They nurse the sick in their homes, conduct kindergartens and specialize in needlework. The sisters also take charge of the domestic work at retreat houses and seminaries.

QUALIFICATIONS:

* Aspirants should be between the ages of 18 and 30 and have a true desire to serve God and their neighbor.

*They should be of good health, cheerful disposition and ready to adapt themselves to community life.

HABIT: The religious garb of the Sisters of St. Rita consists of a black habit with the Augustinian black leather cincture, a cross attached to a black ribbon around the neck and a black veil with white lining.

For further information please write to:
Sister Superior
St. Monica's Convent
4300 Douglas Avenue
Racine, Wisconsin.

SISTERS OF THE THIRD ORDER REGULAR OF ST. FRANCIS Allegany, New York

HISTORY: The Sisters of the Third Order Regular of St. Francis were founded in April 1859 by the Very Rev. Pamphilo da Magliano, O.F.M. Since the entrance of the first three postulants, one of whom was Rev. Mother Mary Teresa, the first Mother General and co-foundress, more than eleven hundred candidates have become professed members of the Institute. The sisters staff seven high schools and academies, forty-two elementary schools, thirteen hospitals, three schools of nursing, five homes for working girls and the aged and St. Elizabeth Teacher Training Col-It was the first American lege. community to send missionaries into foreign fields. Schools were established in Jamaica, B. W. I., in the early 1870's. In the United



States, schools for the colored are conducted in North Carolina, Georgia, Florida, Mississippi and Texas. A hospital for the colored is operated in Palm Beach, Florida. The sisters have also established in Brazil a teacher training college together with a number of elementary and high schools.

PURPOSE: The primary objective of the Allegany Franciscans is the glory of God and the sanctification of their members by the observance of the simple vows of Poverty, Chastity and Obedience. The sisters devote themselves to the field of education, provide homes for working girls, aged and orphans and care for the sick in their thirteen hospitals.

QUALIFICATIONS:

- *Girls of at least medium talents, of cheerful and gentle dispositions between the ages of 15 and 30 years who wish to dedicate their lives to Christ and His work are welcomed as members.
- *Applicants must provide if possible the necessary clothing, a small dowry, certificates of Baptism and Confirmation, a health certificate and the required testimonial letters.
- *For a reasonable cause anyone of these requirements may be waivered.
- *Postulancy six months to a year. Novitiate one year. Upon completion of the novitiate, temporary vows are made every year for six years after which perpetual vows are pronounced.

For further information please write to:

Rev. Mother Provincial, O.S.F., St. Elizabeth Convent, Allegany, New York.



POOR SERVANTS OF THE MOTHER OF GOD High Point, North Carolina

HISTORY: The Poor Servants of the Mother of God were founded by Mother Mary Magdalen Taylor, September 24, 1869, London, England. Mother Magdalen had been a lady volunteer with Florence Nightingale in Crimea, South Soviet Russia, where she became acquainted with the Catholic Church. Here she learned of the great need of the poor for material and spiritual help. She was converted to the Faith by Father Sidney Woollett, S.J. Upon her return to England, she worked for the poor in London for some years, and then established her new community dedicated to the care of the poor. In this work she was greatly encouraged by Cardinal Manning who commended its spiritual direction to the Jesuit Fathers. Father James Clare, S.J., was its first director

and afterwards Father Augustus Dignam, S.J., whose name will ever be held in veneration by this congregation. The Rule is based on that of St. Ignatius. The motherhouse is in Rome and the general novitiate is located in London, England. The community numbering about nine-hundred members is represented in England, Ireland, Scotland, France, Italy and the United States. The sisters came to America in 1947 at the invitation of Bishop Waters of Raleigh to undertake hospital work. They are represented in the dioceses of Raleigh and Wheeling.

PURPOSE: The principal works of the congregation include the operation of schools on all levels, boarding and day schools, hospitals, orphanages, homes for the mentally sick and for the aged and residences for working girls and women. They visit the poor in their homes. There are no lay sisters in this community.

QUALIFICATIONS:

*Age: 16 to 26.

*Right intention, supernatural motives and good health.

*A good general education. This will later be developed according to the talents discovered in the aspirants.

HABIT: The sisters wear a full length habit of black serge held at the waist by a black woolen cincture from which a rosary is suspended. A side blue scapular is worn over the habit and a large crucifix on the breast. The distinctive white cap covering the forehead is of white linen, gathered onto a narrow band. While on duty in their hospitals, the sisters wear an all-white habit. For further information please write to:

Sister Superior, S. M. G., Maryfield Convalescent Home, High Point, North Carolina.

DAUGHTERS OF MARY IMMACULATE Somerset, Texas

HISTORY: The Congregation of the Daughters of Mary Immaculate, whose members are more commonly known as the Marianist Sisters, was founded in France in 1816 by Rev. William Joseph Chaminade and Adele de Trenqueleon. It is a sister order to the Society of Mary established by Father Chaminade. This community has spread from France to Spain, Corsica, Japan and the United States. The sisters conduct primary and secondary schools, retreat centers, vacation resorts, a psychiatric hospital and homes for students and working girls. It was established in Somerset, Texas, in 1949 by three sisters of the Spanish province. The sisters helped to alleviate the need for teaching sisters in the Archdiocese of San Antonio by doing catechetical work in rural parish-



es and establishing two parochial schools.

PURPOSE: The sanctification of its members by the three simple vows of religion is the principle end of this congregation. sisters also pronounce the vow of stability, a special vow of total consecration to Mary. Its secondary aim is the sanctification of others, principally youth.

QUALIFICATIONS:

- * An applicant must be at least sixteen years old.
- *She must possess good health, a right intention and a firm determination to sanctify herself and others through apostolic work.
- * A high school education is desirable.

HABIT: The sisters wear a black wool habit and veil, a soft linen guimpe and a broad white sash. A silver and ebony crucifix is suspended from the neck and a rosary at the left side.

For further information please write to:

Mother Superior, Marianist Sisters, Somerset, Texas.



DOMINICAN SISTERS Oxford, Michigan

HISTORY: The Sisters of the Third Order of St. Dominic of the Congregation of St. Rose of Lima, Oxford, Michigan, trace their ancestry to St. Dominic, Spain. This community was founded by Sister Mary de Sales. In 1923 she gave the Holy Habit to three young ladies who formed the little pioneer group of sisters. In 1927 under the guidance of the Very Reverend Joseph ZaLibera, of Detroit, Michigan, the first small motherhouse was built in Warren, Michigan, now occupied by another community of sisters. In 1948 the motherhouse was transferred to Oxford, Michigan. Here they reside in a magnificent country estate which was purchased from Mr. M. E. Coyle, an ex-official of the General Motor's Company.

PUR POSE: The Dominican Sisters

of Oxford take the simple vows of Poverty, Chastity and Obedience and follow the Rule of St. Augustine. Teaching youth and the care of the sick are their principle apostolic activities. So far they are represented in five Dioceses and teach in elementary and secondary schools. They are also engaged in hospital and catechetical work.

QUALIFICATIONS:

*Upon entrance, young ladies should be at least 15, and if possible, not older than 30.

*They must be Catholics of good moral standing, possess normal health of mind and body and have the desire to serve God willingly.

HABIT: The sisters wear the traditionally cream colored Dominican habit and a neat black veil. At final profession the sisters receive a ring as a symbol of their espousal to Christ. The Order is specially devoted to the Rosary and The Little Office of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

For further information please write to:

Reverend Mother Mary Joseph, O. P.,

Route 2, Drahner Road
Oxford, Michigan.

MERCY SISTERS OF ST. FRANCIS Lincoln, Nebraska

HISTORY: The Mercy Sisters of St. Francis are a diocesan congregation devoted to the needs of the Diocese of Lincoln, Nebraska. They were originally founded in Brno, Czechoslovakia, in 1886 by During the Mother Bernardine. Communist occupation, several members of this community escaped their native country and were given asylum by His Excellency, the Most Reverend Louis B. Kucera, Bishop of the Diocese of Lincoln. His Excellency received permission from Rome to begin an American foundation. This American community began in 1953 on the Feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

PURPOSE: The sisters staff the St. Thomas Orphanage and conduct their novitiate here. The first

American candidates were trained by the Dominican Sisters from St. Clara's Convent in Sinsinawa, Wisconsin. It is the hope of this Diocese that these sisters will staff parish schools, small community hospitals, homes for the aged and diocesan orphanages.

QUALIFICATIONS:

*Young women between fifteen and thirty-five years of age who have the proper physical, mental and spiritual requirements are desired.

For further information please write to:

Mercy Sisters of St. Francis 4001 South 27th Street Lincoln, Nebraska.



THE GLENMARY SISTERS Glendale, Ohio

HISTORY: The Glenmary Sisters also known as the Home Mission Sisters of America trace the beginnings of their community to the year 1941 when two young women began to live a common life at Glendale, Ohio. Upon the invitation of Father W. Howard Bishop, they were called for the expressed intention of forming a community of sisters to carry on home mission work in the United States. Father Bishop recognized the need for an organized home missionary effort in our country. It was he who laid the groundwork for the establishment of a society of secular priests and brothers called the Home Missionaries of America in 1939. In 1946 the Dominican Sisters from Adrian, Michigan, were engaged to instruct the sisters in the fundamentals of religious life. Permission for its canonical erec-

tion was granted by His Excellency, The Most Reverend Karl J. Alter on July 16, 1952. The first profession and the appointment of the first Mother Generaltook place in September 1953. At this time the community numbered nearly fifty members.

PURPOSE: The work of the Glenmary Sisters includes religious instruction, social work, home nursing and other works of charity that do not involve large institutions. Their activities are directed particularly to those sections of the United States that are predominantly non-Catholic, especially the rural sections of the South.

QUALIFICATIONS:

*Applicants should be between the ages of 16 and 30.

*They must have sound health, intelligence and common sense and be moved by a right intention.

*High school education is desirable; college or professional training is very acceptable.

HABIT: The habit consists of a gray, ankle-length tunic and a gray cape that extends below the wait. The cincture and veil are black. White collar and cuffs, cap and forehead band and a silver crucifix worn about the neck complete the habit.

For further information please write to: Glenmary Sisters Motherhouse, Glendale, Ohio.

CONGREGATION OF THE HUMILITY OF MARY Ottumwa, Iowa

HISTORY: The Congregation of the Sisters of the Humility of Mary, cofounded in France in 1854 by the Reverend John Joseph Begel and Antoinette Pottier, the first Superior General, emigrated to America in 1864. The eastern motherhouse, "Villa Marie", was established near New Bedford, Pennsylvania. Moving westward, the sisters in 1870 opened schools in the diocese of St. Joseph, Missouri, and established a separate motherhouse at Liberty, Missouri. The Missouri foundation was transferred to Ottumwa, Iowa, in 1877. The present motherhouse and novitiate, "Ottumwa Heights", is situated on a onehundred-forty acre site, overlooking Ottumwa and the Des Moines River valley. The Congregation operates in Montana, California, Minnesota, Mississippi and Illinois, as well as



in Iowa. The Constitutions of the Sisters of the Humility of Mary

were given final pontifical approbation in 1944.

PUR POSE: Established for the purpose of educating children, especially the children of the poor, the Sisters of Humility conduct schools on all the academic levels. In addition, they care for the sick in hospitals, staff two diocesan orphanages and share in the Negro apostolate in the State of Mississippi.

QUALIFICATIONS:

*Girls between the ages of 15 and 30 may be admitted.

* Those older than 30 years of age may be accepted by special dispensation of the General Council.

*Aspirants should have the usual qualifications for the religious life -- good character and health, sufficient intelligence

and supernatural motives.

HABIT: The Sisters of Humility wear a strikingly simple habit; a pleated skirt of black serge, affixed to a black cotton waist; a serge guimpe, serge sleeves, a plain belt and white snap-on collar and cuffs. A black veil of light material falls gracefully from a brief, white forehead bandeau. Professed sisters wear a silver ring, a brass reliquary and a chained rosary. White habits are worn by the sister nurses.

For further information please write to:

The Sisters of the Humility of Mary, Ottumwa Heights College, Ottumwa, Iowa;

Marycrest College, Davenport, Iowa; Sacred Heart Convent, Great Falls, Montana.



CONGREGATION OF THE MOST HOLY CRUCIFIED Malvern, Pennsylvania

HISTORY: How shall we sing a new song in a foreign land? words of the psalmist must have run through the minds of the first six sisters of the Congregation of the Most Holy Crucified who came to New Hamburg, New York, from their beloved Italy in 1948. They were founded in Livorno, Italy, in 1840. So successful were they in their new and humble work that a second group of eleven sisters came to America in 1951. Six established themselves at the Malvern Preparatory School in Pennsylvania and the remaining five journeyed on to Chicago, Illinois. The community now numbers approximately one thousand members. They follow the rule of St. Augustine and are affiliated with the Order of Hermits of St. Augustine. the Augustinian Fathers in Amer-

ica asked the good sisters to take charge of the domestic department in their movitiate, they readily agreed to do so. They were willing to sing a new song, do a new type of work in the great land of the United States.

PURPOSE: As a reporter of the Philadelphia Inquirer aptly expressed it on the occasion of their being made citizens of the United States, their sole interest is to serve. Their work consists in caring for orphans, instructing wayward girls confided to them by the courts, teaching and preparing teachers in their normal school training.

QUALIFICATIONS:

*Aspirants must be between 15 and 30 years of age.

*They must be of average intelligence, possess good health and be desirous of serving God as a Sister of the Most Holy Crucified.

HABIT: Simple in nature and simple in ambition, their religious garb seems to embody this idea of simplicity; a black habit and veil, shortened wimple and cape, the Augustinian cincture and corona of beads and a large crucifix.

For further information please write to:

Reverend Mother Superior, Mother of Good Counsel Novitiate, New Hamburg, New York;

Malvern Preparatory School, Malvern, Pennsylvania; St. Rita's High School, 6310 Claremont Avenue, Chicago 36, Illinois.

SISTERS OF REPARATION OF THE CONGREGATION OF MARY Monsey, New York

HISTORY: The Sisters of Reparation of the Congregation of Mary were founded in 1890 by a trained nurse, Miss Ellen O'Keefe. Mother O'Keefe, as she was called by those she befriended, financed the beginning of St. Zita's Villa herself by contributing all her savings to this noble work. St. Zita's was the first of four residences established by the Sisters of Reparation for homeless, delinquent and working girls. The congregation received the approval of Ecclesiastical authorities from its very beginning. To provide for the permanence of the Institution, the Most Reverend John Farley, then Archbishop of New York, approved the plan of those engaged in the work of forming themselves into a religious community. In 1903 Mother O'Keefe



received her name in religion, Mother Mary Zita.

PURPOSE: The sanctification of its members who undertake to live in a religious community and to observe the vows of Poverty, Chastity and Obedience is the first and principle objective of the Institute. In its active apostolate this congregation attempts to assist young women find themselves spiritually and economically, by maintaining homes in which to live and helping them in their search for positions.

QUALIFICATIONS:

* Age: 16 to 35.

*Candidates must have one essential requirement, a deep desire to dedicate their lives to the cause of Christ. They should also possess sound judgment, good health, a willing disposition and a good reputation.

HABIT: The holy habit consists of a black cloth veil; a black serge habit with a full length scapular of the same material, a black leather cincture with fifteen decade rosary and a large white guimpe.

For further information please write to:
Rev. Mother Superior, St. Zita's Villa, Monsey, New York.



SISTERS OF THE DIVINE SPIRIT The Modern American Religious Congregation of Home Missionaries

HISTORY: The founder of the Sisters of the Divine Spirit is Rev. Lawrence G. Lovasik, S. V. D., a Divine Word parish missionary and retreatmaster, and the author of many spiritual books and pam-The urgent need there is phlets. for Catholic Action in the form of catechetical and social service in areas where there are few parochial schools, is the reason for this new community. Their modern garb and modified and less rigorous rule are meant to attract workers of various ages and conditions of life into Christ's service. Bishop Hugh L. Lamb of the Greensburg diocese will sponsor the new community, which is in the process of securing the necessary approbation. The first postulants arrived at the Villa of Our Lady of the Poconos, Mt. Pocono,

Pennsylvania September 8, 1954 and for the time being are trained there by the Bernardine Franciscan Sisters. A motherhouse will be established in the Greensburg diocese. Later the Sisters will work in other dioceses.

PURPOSE: 1) Personal sanctification of its members by special devotion to the Holy Spirit, the Blessed Sacrament and Our Lady.
2) The sanctification of the Christian family by visiting and encouraging Catholics in the practice of their faith, recruiting converts, teaching catechism to public school children and to adults, conducting parochial schools and social programs.
QUALIFICATIONS:

*Age - 16 to 45. Exceptions are sometimes made.

*Since the Sisters will follow a modified rule, the requirements are easy to comply with, even in the case of those who have to cope with an unfavorable condition of health, physical handicap, age, or lack of education, or who have previously been members of another religious community.

MODERN HABIT AND RULE: The garb was designed to answer the appeal of Pope Pius XII, who said, "The moment has come to take account intelligently of present-day forms of life." The habit is an Oxford gray skirt and jacket, a white blouse, small black felt hat, tan nylon stockings and black leather pumps with medium heel, and a medal of the Holy Spirit. The hair is worn in a becoming modern style. Instances of a modified rule would be: taking yearly vows; evening catechetical and social work; a yearly vacation of at least one week; driving a car and visiting and helping one's parents in cases of illness.

For further information please write to: Rev. Lawrence G. Lovasik, S.V.D., Sacred Heart Mission Seminary, Girard, Penna.

CONGREGATION OF THE RELIGIOUS OF NAZARETH Yakima, Washington

HISTORY: The Congregation of the Religious of Nazareth was founded in France in 1822 by Father Roger, a Jesuit priest. The Duchess of Doudeauville was co-foundress. It was she who had the original idea for founding a teaching order for the education of girls. Mother Elisabeth Rollat was named first superior. The name Nazareth was chosen after the founders had made a fervent novena to the Holy Ghost. The members of this congregation endeavour to honor in an especial manner the virtues of the hidden life of the Holy Family at Nazareth.

PURPOSE: Besides working towards their own perfection, the Religious of Nazareth strive to save souls, particularly the souls of the children entrusted to their care in their grade schools, academies, children to their sand dispensaries



dren's hospitals and dispensaries in mission countries.

QUALIFICATIONS:

*Age: Between 16 and 30 years of age.

*Piety, generosity, zeal for the salvation of souls, firmness of character, docility, sound common sense and average intelligence are the main requirements.

HABIT: The new habit recently blest by Our Holy Father, Pope Pius XII, consists of a plain black serge dress, skirt and a bodice with a white pique front over which is worn a small cape elbow length. The bonnet has a white pique band which folds back over a black veil of light material. A black cloak is worn in cold weather. The professed sisters wear a silver cross and ring.

For further information please write to:

Rev. Mother Superior, Confraternity Center, 207 N. 4th Street, Yakima, Washington.



SISTERS OF ST. LOUIS La Canada, California

HISTORY: The Congregation of the Sisters of St. Louis was founded in 1842 in Juilly, France, by Baroness de Vaux, Mother Therese of the Cross. It was originally organized to assist in the work of educating the children of French nobility. The order was named for the Saint-King of France, Louis IX, and has adopted for its symbols the oriflamme, the ancient banner of St. Denis which the early French kings carried to the Crusades and the Fleur-de-lis, the design St. Louis used on his oriflame. These symbols have characterized the order, the banner of gold flame leading to victory in the crusade for souls and the fleur-de-lis, the emblem of France. Since its foundation, the community has flourished in the work of training youth in culture, the arts and in basic curricular

subjects and of developing souls entrusted to their care. The women of St. Louis are actively engaged in serving God on two continents; in Ireland, England, France, Belgium, Africa and the United States.

PURPOSE: The sanctification and salvation of souls in the apostolate of education is their chief concern. The Sisters of St. Louis conduct schools of domestic economy, elementary and primary schools, secondary schools, orphanages and missions in Africa.

QUALIFICATIONS:

*Age: 16-30.

*The Sisters of St. Louis desire young ladies interested in helping and saving souls whether it be in sunny California or in the distant fields of Africa.

*Special talents are welcome. For example, doctors, nurses as well as teachers are needed in Africa.

For further information please write to:

Rev. Mother Superior Sisters of St. Louis 4520 Gould Avenue La Canada, California.

DAUGHTERS OF THE MOST HOLY SAVIOUR Oakland, California

HISTORY: The Daughters of the Most Holy Saviour were founded in Niederbronn, Alsas - Lothringen, France, in 1849 by Rev. Mother Elizabeth Eppinger. In 1914 the Holy Father gave the sisters permission to establish an independent foundation in Slovakia, with the motherhouse in Bratislava. The convents of this foundation have since been confiscated by the communists and the sisters are now working onfarms, infactories and other worldly occupations. Pope Pius XI blessed the community in 1932. The number of sisters has been steadily increasing. They now have nineteen convents in three separate provinces, Czechoslovakia (Slovakia and Moravia), Germany (Bavaria), Hungary and the United States. The American province was founded in 1951 when four



Bavarian sisters came to this country to take over the management of the kitchen and laundry of the Holy Redeemer College in Oakland. They were later joined by a Slovakian sister who fled the communist regime.

PURPOSE: The Daughters of the Most Holy Saviour who take the vows of Poverty, Chastity and Obedience are engaged in various kinds of physical and spiritual works of mercy. They care for the sick in hospitals and private institutions, supervise girls dormitories, design religious garments and teach in elementary and secondary schools.

QUALIFICATIONS:

*Age: 16-30.

*Older candidates may be accepted with the permission of the Mother General.

HABIT: The sisters wear a simple black woolen dress with a black belt from which a five decade rosary is suspended. A black cloak covers the shoulders. White headgear and black veil complete the habit.

For further information please write to:

Daughters of the Most Holy Saviour House of Nazareth Convent Box 5007, Eastmont Station Oakland 5, California



DOMINICAN SISTERS OF SAN RAFAEL California

HISTORY: The Dominican Sisters of San Rafael, California, also known as the Congregation of the Most Holy Name of Jesus, were the first sisters to establish a foundation in this state. Mother Mary Goemare, the foundress, came to Monterey, California, in 1850 from the Convent of the Cross in Paris. The Most Reverend Joseph S. Ale many, O.P., Bishop of Monterey, appealed to this Convent for volunteers to assist him in the work of his dioceses. In the intervening one-hundred years, the community spread throughout California and Nevada, where they operate and conduct schools and hospitals. The motherhouse and novitiate were moved from Monterey to Bernicia in 1854 and finally to San Rafael in 1889.

PURPOSE: The work of the Dominican Sisters of San Rafael is primarily teaching on the elementary, secondary and college levels. For those not interested in the teaching profession, there are many opportunities available in the nursing field, business offices, administration and the various household duties connected with the communities' two hospitals and schools.

QUALIFICATIONS:

* Applicants ordinarily should be under 30 years of age. However, exceptions are sometimes made for worthy candidates.

*Aspirants for the novitiate should possess good health and the mental ability sufficient to carry out the work of the congregation. But above all, they should have a sincere desire to serve God by performing whatever tasks her superiors ask of her.

HABIT: The habit of the congregation consists of a white tunic, scapular and cape, a black mantle and veil and a white bandeau and wimple.

For further information please write to:

Rev. Mother Superior

Dominican Sisters

San Rafael, California.

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CISTERCIAN NUNS OF THE STRICT OBSERVANCE (O.C.S.O.)

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For further information please write to: Mother Prioress, Mount St. Mary's Abbey, Arnold Street, R. F. D., Box 500, Wrentham, Massachusetts.

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